

Building Resiliency: Sustainable Workplaces in Immigrant Rights
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Panelist Biographies

Raj Borsellino

Raj is a Program Officer at Robin Hood, New York City's largest poverty-fighting organization. Since joining Robin Hood in January 2019, Raj's main areas of focus have been immigrant legal services, food security, and workforce development. Raj was raised in Des Moines, Iowa, and attended Amherst College and Yale Law School. Prior to joining Robin Hood, Raj spent five years as an associate in the Litigation department of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP. He maintained an active pro bono practice including matters on asylum, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status cases, housing code enforcement, and Section 1983 prisoners' rights claims. He has also worked as a high school teacher in Leone, American Samoa, where he aided in relief efforts in his village following a massive earthquake and tsunami.

Yesenia Mata

Yesenia is an immigration and veteran activist. As the daughter of formerly undocumented immigrants, Yesenia has been advocating for immigration reform. She has written on The Hill, Huffington Post, and Univision. She was the former National Latino Outreach Strategist for the 2016 Bernie Sanders Presidential Campaign, where she organized the Latino communities in Chicago, Arizona, New York, Pennsylvania, California, and Florida. She also was the Political Director for the Dream Action Coalition, a national organization that advocates for immigration reform. She has been recognized by City & State as top 100 in Labor and top 100 in Staten Island, and recognized by Staten Island Advance as a Women of Achievement and has received a prestigious Proclamation from the City of New York for her work in the Latinx community. Yesenia currently is the Executive Director of La Colmena, an Immigration/Day Labor Rights Organization and serves in the U.S. Army as a Military Police Specialist.

Camille J. Mackler

Camille is the Founder and Executive Director of the Immigrant Advocates Response Collaborative (Immigrant ARC), a collaborative of over 80 legal service providers in New York State. In that role, Ms. Mackler works with community leaders, legal service providers, state and local governments, law enforcement agencies, and Federal agencies and policy makers to ensure immigrants have access to a fair and efficient immigration system. Prior to launching Immigrant ARC, Camille was the Director of Immigration Legal Policy at the New York Immigration Coalition. There, she led advocacy campaigns to improve laws and policies for the benefit of immigrants across New York State. Camille has led a number of important campaigns and efforts, including coordinating legal efforts at JFK airport during the travel ban and successfully advocating for protections for immigrants at the State and Federal level. She recently helped draft legislation creating the first right to universal representation of immigrants in the country. She is a frequent lecturer on topics of immigration law and policy and has authored numerous reports on federal immigration policy. She is a graduate of Georgetown University's Walsh School of Foreign Service and New York Law School.

Eve Stotland

Eve is the Program Officer for Education and Human Justice at The New York Community Trust. She spent thirteen years working at The Door, first as a Staff Attorney and later as the Director of Legal Services, representing low-income youth in matters such as immigration, family law, and public benefits. In 2014, she helped launch a city-wide coalition that provides free representation to thousands of

children in immigration court. She also served as the Director of the Mental Health Project at Urban Justice Center and as Associate Director of the Public Interest Law Center at New York University School of Law. Eve is a member of the New York State court system's Advisory Council on Immigration Issues in Family Court.