



michael.freestone@offitkurman.com 240.507.1875 | Fax 240.507.1735 7501 Wisconsin Avenue | Suite 1000W Bethesda, MD 20814



# MICHAEL FREESTONE

Principal, Bethesda

## **PRACTICE AREAS**

• Immigration Law

#### **PRACTICE FOCUS**

Michael J. Freestone is a Principal in the firm's Immigration Law group where he advises individual and corporate clients of all sizes on a range of immigration-related issues. He specializes in strategic immigration planning with a focus on long-term strategies and develops robust immigration law compliance programs for his corporate clients. He handles non-immigrant petitions, visa and consular issues, employment and family-based immigrant petitions, adjustment of status applications and naturalization.

Michael works closely with investors and entrepreneurs to help create a successful immigration solution for their needs. His clients represent a broad range of industries including medical research, software development, steel, construction, aerospace, religious organizations, entrepreneurs and individuals.

Michael devotes his time to numerous pro bono immigration activities, including providing immigration counsel to a local theatre company and assistance with non-immigrant visas for victims of crime including attempted murder, battery, assault and domestic abuse. He successfully advised a humanitarian aid project to obtain visas for 30 Haitian nationals to enter the United States to build homes for victims of Hurricane Sandy as a gesture of appreciation for U.S. aid following the devastating earthquake of 2010.

His educational background is in International Law, International Business, International Trade, Finance and Foreign Direct Investment. While obtaining his master's degree, Michael served as a case reporter for the Oxford Journal of International Law in Domestic Courts, where he covered International Law issues arising in several Supreme Court terms, the First Circuit and the State of New York. He completed internships at two firms in London as part of his work experience. Prior to joining Offit Kurman, he founded and led the Immigration practice at a previous firm.

## **EDUCATION**

- George Washington University Law School, LL.M.
- International and Comparative Law George Washington University Law School, LL.M.
- BPP Law School, London, LL.B.
- Trinity College Dublin, Ireland, B.A.

### **ADMISSIONS**

- U.S. Court of Appeals
- District of Columbia