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Maya obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Toronto where she majored in Philosophy/Bioethics. She received her LL.B. in 2007 from the University of Ottawa and was called to the bar in 2008. She began her practice of law at a prominent boutique defence firm in Hamilton and joined Devry Smith Frank LLP in 2009, where she is a partner.

Maya currently practices within DSF's immigration group, advising clients on a myriad of applications including permanent residence, work permits, visas, and intracompany transfers. Her interests lie in individual applications for skilled workers, sponsorships of family members, and work permits, study permits and visitor visas for a broad spectrum of people from around the world. She also advises corporate clients on cross-border issues and the development of creative immigration strategies for the hiring of employees.

Her extensive litigation experience means the ability to advise clients and represent them before immigration tribunals and the Federal Court regarding appeals and judicial review of denied applications.

She believes firmly in the value of a multicultural, ever-evolving population in Canada and is committed to helping those who wish to become part of this great country.

Maya insists that clients are kept in the loop at every stage of an application and finds that clients are served best when they are directly involved in their files.

Outside of her day to day practice, Maya serves on the firm's articling and summer student committee and devotes time on a pro bono basis to children from low income families requiring representation in the education system.

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