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Jennifer's practice includes a broad range of immigration and labor and employment matters. She is a multi-lingual attorney able to handle all immigration matters, including H-1B visas, L-1A, L-1B, and H visas, J-1 visas, E-1, E-2, and Australian E-3 visas, F visas and the OPT period option, the newly enacted deferred action program for undocumented youth, O and P visas, TN visas, PERM labor certifications, permanent resident, investor-, employment-, and family-based visa petitions, deportation and political asylum cases, and naturalization and renunciation matters. Jennifer can assist with EB-5 green card investor petitions, both direct and through Regional Centers for Foreign Investment. She advises on I-9 compliance, oversees and responds to issues relating to employer-generated audits, and assists with Immigration and Custom Enforcement issues. She also monitors and advises on the increasingly mandatory use of E-Verify.

After completing law school, Jennifer received a number of law certificates, including: Certificate in Public International Law, International Courts of Justice, The Hague; Certificate on E.E.C. Law, London University; and comparative private international law, Institut Universitaire de Hautes Études Internationales, Geneva, Switzerland. She is fluent in French and speaks conversational German.

Prior Legal Experience

Jennifer was admitted to the New York Bar in 1979 and practiced in New York until she joined Ward and Smith, P.A. in January of 2008.

Jennifer G. Parser Of Counsel

Areas of Experience

Services

Immigration
Emerging Technology

Education

Wake Forest University, JD, 1978
Dartmouth College, BA, 1973, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Rufus Choate Scholar, William Jaffe Award recipient

Professional and Community Activities

Center for International Understanding,
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill:
Member, Board of Directors
North Carolina Chinese Business
Association: Vice President, Government
Liaison and Co-Chair of Speakers
Committee
Triangle Chapter of British American
Business Counsel of North Carolina:
Secretary, Legal Counsel and Executive
Committee Member
North Carolina Bar Association:
International Law & Practice Section
Treasurer and Immigration Counsel
Wake County Bar Association
Organization of Women in International
Trade of the Greater Triangle, Director and
Corporate Secretary

Recent Publications

Looking Into a Crystal Ball: What Lies Ahead in the World of Immigration in a Trump Presidency
Notable Immigration-Related Hiring Discrimination Claims Settled this Summer with Department of Justice and Heads Up! A New Form I-9 is coming by mid-November
U.S. Supreme Court is Weighing the Merits of U.S. vs. Texas
How the Terrorist Attacks in Paris Have Affected International Travel, and What is to Come

Jurisdictions Licensed

North Carolina
New York