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Biography

Misty Borkowski is a Partner in our Little Rock office whose practice focuses on immigration matters, assisting both employers and individuals.

Prior to joining HBS, Misty, who is also fluent in Spanish, was a director at a local law firm where she served as the designated attorney to aid in PALE (Program of Legal Assistance to Mexican Nationals through External Legal Advice in the United States of America) alongside the Mexican Consulate in Little Rock. She also functioned as the Liaison to Changchun, Little Rock's Sister City in China.

Misty was appointed by the Arkansas Supreme Court to serve on the Criminal Practice Committee and selected to serve as a member of the Criminal Justice Act Panel with the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas. She is also an Adjunct Professor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Bowen School of Law where she teaches a course on Immigration Law.

Misty earned her Juris Doctor at the University of Arkansas Little Rock, Bowen School of Law and her Bachelor of Arts in

Services

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International Studies at the University of Arkansas Little Rock.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- Arkansas

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Arkansas

U.S. Courts of Appeals:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Education

- J.D., University of Arkansas at Little Rock
- B.A., University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Memberships

- Executive Networking Organization:
 - Member, 2015-2023
 - Chairman, 2018-2020
- Judge William R. Overton Inn of Court:
 - Executive Committee Member, 2010-2023
 - President, 2022-2023
 - Treasurer, 2013-2022

More +

- Changchun Liaison (Little Rock's Sister City in China)
- Little Rock Sister Cities Commission:

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- Member, 2004-2014
- Chairman, 2009-2011

Recognition

- [The Best Lawyers in America®](#), Best Lawyers®, 2020-2024
 - Appellate Practice
 - Employment Law - Management
 - Immigration Law
- [Mid-South Super Lawyer](#), Super Lawyers®, 2021-2023
- [Distinguished Peer Rated Attorney](#), Martindale-Hubbell
- Best Lawyers in Little Rock, Little Rock Soiree, 2017

Presentations

- **H-2A Compliance / Pitfalls and Protocols for H-2A Employers**
American Agricultural Law Association (AALA), Agricultural Law Educational Symposium; November 10, 2023
- **An Afternoon in HR**
HBS Helping Businesses Succeed Series; September 21, 2023

Publications

- [New Department of Labor Rule Enhances Protections for Farmworkers](#)
HBS Immigration & Employment Updates Blogs; May 7, 2024
- [Navigating I-9 Verification & E-Verify in the Construction Industry: A Legal Perspective](#)
HBS Immigration & Construction Blogs; June 12, 2023
- [Continuing Evolution of Juvenile Sentencing Laws](#)
University of Arkansas Little Rock Law Review, 2019
- [Battered, Broken, Bruised, or Abandoned: Domestic](#)

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**Strife Presents Foreign Nationals Access to
Immigration Relief**

University of Arkansas Little Rock Law Review, 2009

In the Press

**Litigators
Lounge:
Immigration
Law for
Agricultural &
Seasonal
Workers, with
Misty Wilson
Borkowski**

May 14, 2024

Immigration law expert and HBS Little Rock Partner Misty Wilson Borkowski rejoins the hosts to discuss the complexities of immigration with agricultural and seasonal workers.

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**New
Department of**

Labor Rule Enhances Protections for Farmworkers

May 7, 2024

The DoL recently announced a final rule aimed at strengthening protections for farmworkers under the H-2A program. This rule, effective June 28, 2024, addresses vulnerabilities and abuses experienced by workers in the program, promoting fair labor standards for all farmworkers in the U.S...

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Litigators Lounge: Immigration Law for Employers, with Misty Wilson Borkowski

April 18, 2024

The hosts welcome immigration law expert and HBS Little Rock Partner Misty

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Wilson Borkowski to discuss
the complexities of
immigration within
employment law.

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HBS Attorneys Recognized in 2023 Mid- South Super Lawyers Awards

November 28, 2023

HBS has been recognized for
its outstanding legal work as
10 of its attorneys are
selected to the 2023 Mid-
South Super Lawyers and
Rising Stars lists

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55 Hall Booth Smith Lawyers Recognized as 2024 Best Lawyers® Award Recipients

August 21, 2023

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We're pleased to announce that 55 lawyers have been included in the 2024 edition of The Best Lawyers in America®.

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Navigating I-9 Verification & E-Verify in the Construction Industry: A Legal Perspective

June 12, 2023

In an era of heightened immigration enforcement and compliance, it is crucial for businesses, especially those in the construction industry, to understand and adhere to the requirements of I-9 verification and E-Verify. Immigration laws in the United States have significant implications for employers, and failing to comply can result in severe penalties. Understanding I-9 Verification

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Immigration

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Practice **Appoints Co-** **Chair at Hall** **Booth Smith**

May 16, 2023

Hall Booth Smith is proud to appoint experienced immigration attorney, Misty Wilson Borkowski, as Co-Chair of its Immigration practice. Carsten Alting has led this practice group and developed a solid reputation of excellence among clients for over 15 years. Adding Misty's experience and dedication to client service will only help further solidify that reputation. Misty's

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HBS **Welcomes** **Three** **Partners as It** **Expands Its** **Immigration &** **Employment** **Practices**

February 14, 2023

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LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS –
February 14, 2023 – Hall
Booth Smith, P.C. is excited to
add seasoned attorneys Misty
Wilson Borkowski, George
Ernst, and Abtin
Mehdizadegan from Little
Rock, Arkansas, as the firm
grows its immigration and
employment practice groups.
Immigration & Employment
Practices Grow Misty, George,
and Abtin join HBS as
partners and will

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