

# Miller Mayer, LLP

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#### ***“LOCALLY BASED, GLOBALLY RENOWNED”***

Miller Mayer, LLP is a full-service law firm with a large immigration practice. Based in Ithaca, New York and with an office in Shanghai, China, Miller Mayer delivers exceptional advice in real time on a global level.

Miller Mayer’s web site states, “Drawing inspiration from both the upstate work ethic and our university town’s creative vitality, we provide legal services to individuals and businesses of all sizes.” Their reputation for strong client relationships throughout New York and beyond includes their renowned immigration practice, which serves clients around the world.

That’s the picture “in a nutshell,” but behind the impressive credentials and staff of Miller Mayer, LLP is the true neighborhood heart of three key immigration attorneys. Partner Rosanne Mayer and Steve Yale-Loehr, of Counsel, are long-time residents of Cayuga Heights. Hilary Fraser, also an immigration partner, lives nearby in Cornell Heights.

When Miller Mayer was started in 1986, little did the founders know that immigration would become the largest practice group in the firm. Steve joined in 1990 and Hilary and Rosanne joined in 1991.

#### **A bit of company history...**

The firm’s immigration practice has grown from a couple of lawyers and one staff person working part-time to the current staff of 12 immigration lawyers and over 20 immigration staff members. The civic participation of Miller Mayer, LLP over the years also makes it a truly community-oriented firm. The firm’s immigration attorneys give presentations to students on campuses, speak at “know your rights” presentations, and provide pro bono work for organizations and individuals all over the country.



Back row: Steve Yale-Loehr and Hilary Fraser  
Front row: Rosanne Mayer





Over the years of practicing together, Steve, Hilary, and Rosanne have grown to be friends as well as business colleagues. Even after 27 years together, they still find immigration law interesting. They remain motivated to assist people in uniting their families and achieving their professional dreams.

### Inspiration for starting the immigration practice

The business population in the Ithaca area includes many entrepreneurs and high-tech companies, and the birth of the internet made it easy to reach clients. In 1990, Congress overhauled our legal immigration system, which affected a lot of high-skilled individuals locally and elsewhere. The complex new law prompted the need for explanation. Steve, Hilary, and Rosanne saw the 1990 immigration law as a “win-win” in helping people achieve their life’s dreams and providing a robust workforce for employers both locally and nationally. The firm’s immigration practice grew, serving business and individual clients in upstate New York and around the world.

Miller Mayer offers a unique boutique-level service with a personal approach to clients, but given the group’s size, composition, and breadth of experience is also able to provide sophisticated immigration services. Almost half of the Miller Mayer immigration team were born in foreign countries. “We see so many situations where just a one-hour consultation can avoid needless heartache later on,” says Hilary. “Immigration law is one of the most complex areas of law, so the advice of a professional is important and can have a significant impact on the success of business or family planning for years to come.”

### On the more personal side...

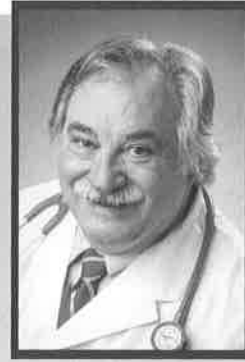
Steve has three grown children and four grandchildren, and has just finished serving on the board of directors of the Hangar Theatre. Of his 50 years in Ithaca, 27 have been in Cayuga Heights. Rosanne has four children and three grandchildren. She’s been a local resident for 33 years, during which time she has lived in three houses in Cayuga Heights. She takes runs through Cayuga Heights most mornings. Hilary’s three children all attended Cayuga Heights School. She’s been involved with the Cayuga Heights afterschool program and was president of the board for a few years. Of her 29 years in Ithaca, 25 have been in Cornell Heights.

All three love the work-life balance of being able to walk and bike to work, run out to school events, and at the same time have an exciting global business operating in this beautiful area.

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