

## Here's what people have to say about *AILA's Asylum Primer*.

"Regina Germain provides a fresh and creative interpretation of U.S. asylum law and offers pragmatic suggestions to practitioners on how best to present asylum cases in today's challenging environment. Drawing upon her years of work with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Germain weaves international legal principles and practice into each chapter, reminding all of us that U.S. courts are bound by the refugee and human rights treaties that the U.S. government has signed and ratified."

*Margaret Green-Rauenhorst  
Director, Protection Department  
International Rescue Committee*

"Regina Germain's summaries of the laws and issues are concise and clear, advice is practical and easily located via the index, and the references to international standards are a much needed bonus for advocates in the U.S."

*Jane R. Kochman  
Senior Legal Counselor  
UNHCR*

Whether you are a practitioner, teacher, or student, you will find Regina Germain's book to be a wonderful resource. Its clear and thorough overview of the law is complemented by its nuts and bolts treatment of procedural issues, and it includes one of the most comprehensive appendices addressing practice issues. Whether you are looking for a sample asylum declaration, a chart explaining what crimes are aggravated felonies, or a list of ICE Detention Centers with contact information, Regina's book will provide it.

*Karen Musalo  
Director, Center for Gender and Refugee Studies  
University of California, Hastings College of Law*

Regina Germain's *Asylum Primer* is the best comprehensive source available for practitioners representing asylum applicants. Our lawyers consult Regina's book regularly. The *Primer* is also a must for those venturing for the first time into this area of law as it takes the reader through the process and hits the major issues encountered by applicants seeking asylum in the United States.

*William B. Schiller  
Partner  
Davidson & Schiller, LLC*

Professor Germain's *Asylum Primer* is the most comprehensive resource on the subject. The sample briefs and arguments are indispensable, as well as the chapter on alternate forms of relief, and the index is invaluable as it lists both by cases and subject. Additionally, the book has the unique feature of a list of the addresses and chief counsel of all the District counsel offices. By using the *Primer*, I was able to win my first affirmative asylum application and won Withholding of Removal based on the Convention Against Torture in my first defensive proceeding. Highly Recommended!

*Stephen Blower  
President  
Blower Law Firm*

The Asylum Primer has it all: a detailed description of asylum law and regulations, an effective how-to guide to representing asylum seekers and in-depth coverage of specific asylum topics and procedures. It is an invaluable resource for asylum practitioners, law students and advocates. No other book provides so much information in such an accessible format.

*David C. Koelsch  
Attorney, Freedom House  
Professor, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law (for clinical class)*

Germain is clear, concise, and complete. Her inclusion of international law principles and sources is particularly valuable. The Asylum Primer is an indispensable guide for beginners and for experts.

*Kate Jastram  
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It is the first source I refer to when I need an answer on an asylum issue. Regina Germain's book is an excellent guide for practitioners. It is concise, organized and thorough. I do not go to an asylum interview or hearing without it.

*Joseph A. Vail  
Associate Clinical Professor  
University of Houston Law Center*