



## MEET

**INDERA D. DEMINE, ESQ., FOUNDED PARTNER DEMINE IMMIGRATION LAW FIRM P.A.**

Indera DeMine immigrated to the United States from Guyana in 2002. She completed her bachelor's degree at Hunter College in New York City and earned her Juris Doctorate from Ave Maria School in 2012. Ms. DeMine immediately began practicing immigration law upon completing law school and working for an immigration firm in Fort Myers. In 2016, Ms. DeMine opened DeMine Immigration, an immigration-only firm, to help immigrants along their journey. As an immigrant herself and a naturalized citizen of the United States, Ms. DeMine is passionate about immigration law and has firsthand knowledge of the complexities of the immigration system. In her 20 years in America, Ms. DeMine has journeyed from being an undocumented immigrant to becoming an immigration attorney assisting her clients in their pursuit of their American Dream. Ms. DeMine is married to attorney Thomas DeMine and they have two children.

**Who influenced you the most?**

My mother. She lived and was married into poverty and had limited education, but she made sure that I, her only daughter, was given all of the opportunities that she was not. My mother made my education a priority and at a young age, instilled in me this belief in myself and the idea that I could do anything.

**What does women empowerment mean to you?**

Women empowerment to me means that I get to be, achieve, pursue, and hold the same positions as my male counterparts. As a minority, immigrant, and woman, women's empowerment is essential to me as I often walk into rooms that may not necessarily look like me. Being able to hold my own and confidently assume my position in any given setting is what women empowerment means to me.

**How are you supporting the next generation of female leaders?**

At our firm, we believe in educating, mentoring, and guiding the future generation of women lawyers. Our staff comprises primarily women, some of whom have gone on to law school. We believe in fostering a workplace where women are encouraged to pursue a career in law and are supported in their pursuit.

**What is the best advice you've received?**

Don't let fear stop you from pursuing your wildest dreams. I am the daughter of a rice farmer, born into poverty in a third-world country. I have dealt with self-doubt most of my life but have learned to push past the fear to pursue my wildest dreams.

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