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The Firm: This burgeoning immigration group is part of a well-respected corporate firm, and as such is well placed to advise clients on a range of business immigration matters. Sources highlight collegiality between departments as a strong point, particularly the team's close relationship with the first-class labor and employment group. The full spectrum of issues is covered, from the hiring and transfer of foreign employees to employee relations and other employment-related issues. The team places great emphasis on providing compliance advice and is leading the way where E-Verify law is concerned. For example, it has been representing the US Chamber of Commerce in its litigation against the US Department of Homeland Security over the legality of the mandatory use by federal contractors of the E-Verify system.

Sources Say: *"The attorneys are committed to their clients and provide solid legal advice that is grounded in a clear understanding of corporate needs."*

Key Individuals: David Grunblatt is at the heart of the practice and has played an integral role in its evolution and strong market standing. Interviewees attribute his lofty status in the immigration field to his approachability and cordiality, and peers *"happily bounce ideas off him."* Clients seek him out for *"creative and innovative solutions to particularly problematic situations."* Sources regard Avram Morell as one of the best of the next generation of immigration lawyers. Clients appreciate his honesty and support: *"He is realistic while showing great sensitivity to the problems faced by foreign employees,"* says one. In addition to handling business immigration matters, he has cultivated expertise in political asylum and Convention Against Torture cases.

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