



VCA boasts a specialized immigration and private wealth department that handles all kinds of requests with a greater focus on immigration by investment. Our multilingual team of lawyers has unrivalled experience, outstanding technical knowledge and a proven track record on immigration, private wealth, family offices, real estate and tax advice.

"Immigration and Private Wealth are the fastest growing areas of practice in VCA. We have been fortunate that clients and peers got us to be recognized in Chambers and Partners and Legal 500. We assembled a wonderful team of young lawyers and paralegals focused on delivering bespoke solutions to our clients. Despite the global pandemic, we have been navigating 2020 almost unscathed. Compare Portugal with any other destination. You will be amazed with what this country has to offer."

João Valadas Coriel, Managing Partner of VCA

"From my 30 years of practicing in different positions and areas of activity, being Head of VCA Immigration Department is the most fulfilling of all. The whole team is highly committed and knowledgeable. An efficient communication with clients, responding to all their queries on a daily basis, is definitely one of the key factors of our success. Immigration, no matter the route taken by the clients, requires a very special attention to their needs and a level of proximity like no other area in law practice. Therefore, nothing like the testimonials of clients and partners to convey the magnificent work that has been carried out by this very special team."

Sandra Fernandes, Head of the Immigration Department at VCA

Mitchell Kriegman, USA:

"Upon arriving in Lisbon, (...) I consulted five lawyers at different firms before I settled on Sandra Fernandes and her team at VCA. Many of these other solicitors were more than willing to charge me a significant retainer before even discussing my issues. (...) Instead Ms. Fernandes laid out the straight facts from the start and earned from me the utmost respect and trust. She's experienced in every aspect of the Immigration and Real Estate landscape in Portugal and the EU, whether you are pursuing a D7 Visa or a Golden Visa. (...) It's a rare lawyer, especially in these difficult times, who sees their trade as doing good and finding solutions that allow their clients to live better and be happier. (...) I have recommended her joyfully to my friends (...)"

Daniel Twomey,

La Vida Golden Visas:
"The immigration team at VCA Advogados are the most knowledgeable, friendly and helpful team of lawyers specialising in

Portuguese immigration law! Sandra, Patricia, Vanda and Cláudia, especially, go above and beyond to ensure that both clients and partners alike are kept up to date on changes to the programmes and that professional advice and comprehensive assistance is always available."

H. Wang, Germany: "(...) Due to her strong legal technical skills and excellent experience, Sandra is a very competent legal advisor for Golden visa applications. She is resilient and authentic (...)"

Vernondo Boshoff and Louis Douglas, South Africa:
"(...) Without a doubt, we will recommend Mrs Sandra to assist our family and our closest friends should the need arise, the reason is complete and utter trust."

Richard Weedn, USA: "Sandra and the team at VCA were among the finest legal counsel I have ever experienced. (...) Highly recommended!!!"

Taimur Jawed, Global Migrate: "(...) We are glad that we chose to work with Patricia Coriel and her team. (...) She thinks outside the box and always tries to make sure that we work together to get positive results (...)"

James Chan, Hong Kong:
"When my wife and I came to the decision to move to Portugal in 2019, we met in person a couple of immigration lawyers in Lisbon. (...) It was my lawyer Ms. Patricia Coriel (and her team) from VCA who stood out and impressed us. (...) With her patience and practical help, we managed to overcome obstacles which seem 'mission impossible' to us. I recommended her firm to two of my friends in Hong Kong and would be glad to do so in the future."

Rajan Nazran, NazranRoth:
"At NazranRoth we have a strict code of conduct and only work with key individuals who have repeatedly demonstrated

integrity, ability and local knowhow. (...) Portugal has many firms, however despite the large names in country, we found that we needed an individual that could deliver a personal service. We selected to bring Patricia Coriel and her firm VCA on board for the NazranRoth alliance as her qualifications and ability speak volumes about the attention to detail she provides. (...) I have no doubt that she is the best at what she does in the country and I look forward to our long working relationship".

Mian Ali: "(...) The ONE person that stands out the most in my immigration experience is Patricia Coriel. (...) Highly professional, clearly knows and understands her work and she showed her experience through close attention to detail to get everything done right. Her best quality is that whenever you need her she is always there and quick to respond. Most important of all she makes you feel safe. (...) My immigration experience has been top notch all thanks to her and her team (...)"

