

# TAHMINA WATSON



## ***Author/Immigration Attorney***

*Author, attorney, community leader, political advocate, and working mother with a lifelong commitment to championing diversity, social justice, immigration reform, and human rights — and a history of mobilizing resources and strategy at both the local and national level to help drive positive, sustainable social change*

## **Bios**

**Short Bio:** Tahmina Watson is an immigration attorney at Watson Immigration Law in Seattle, Washington. Her second book, *Legal Heroes in the Trump Era: Be Inspired. Expand Your Impact. Change the World* will be released on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

**Medium Bio:** Tahmina Watson is an immigration attorney at Watson Immigration Law in Seattle, Washington where she focuses her practice on business immigration law filing visas such as H1Bs. She is an author, blogger, podcaster, activist and passionate advocate for immigration reform. Her second book, *Legal Heroes in the Trump Era: Be Inspired. Expand Your Impact. Change the World* will be released on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

**Long Bio:** Tahmina Watson is a Seattle-based immigration attorney, podcaster and activist. For her community work, Tahmina was recently recognized as a 2020 Woman of Influence honoree by the Puget Sound Business Journal (PSBJ). She is the founder of Watson Immigration Law and founder of the Washington Immigrant Defense Network. Tahmina works with leading national publications as a commentator and columnist and speaks around the country on immigration law and social justice issues. Tahmina serves as a national spokesperson for the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), and the chair of the Response Committee of the Washington Chapter of AILA. Tahmina also serves as a trustee of the Board of King County Bar Association in Washington, a past president of King County Washington Women Lawyers, and a former board member of both the Asian Bar Association of Washington and Washington Women Lawyers. In addition to being recognized for her work by PSBJ, she is a recipient of the 2019 AILA President's Commendation Award. *Tahmina Talks Immigration* podcast is available on [Apple Podcasts](#). *Legal Heroes in the Trump Era* is Tahmina's second book. Additional information can be found at [www.watsonimmigrationlaw.com](http://www.watsonimmigrationlaw.com).

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## Interview Topics

- How lawyers have stepped up and made a difference during the Trump Era
- The need for comprehensive immigration reform
- The state of immigration during the Trump administration.
- The economic argument for immigration in America
- Why high-skilled immigration is necessary in America

## Suggested Interview Questions:

1. Why is Legal Heroes in the Trump Era such an important book?

This administration has demonstrated that democracy is fragile, and lawyers, as officers of the court, are protectors of the rule of law, and watchmen and women of democracy. This book exemplifies how lawyers have taken action in the last four years, and why we need to be ready to step up even more.

2. What can non-lawyers take away from this book?

Lawyers as well as non-lawyers are bound to be inspired by the courage and spirit of every person highlighted in this book, as the work they have done, and continue to do, reaches beyond the legal field. It is likely anyone who reads this book will look within themselves and be motivated to take action.

3. Why did you feel compelled to write this book?

I felt compelled because of the unprecedented despair I see around me. Knowing that there are ordinary people doing extraordinary work will give hope and inspiration to others to believe we all have a voice and that each of us can act to make a difference. The power is within us. I have been in the trenches for the last four years and recognize how important this window between now and the election is to prepare and act. We must be reminded of the past lessons we have learned so that we can act quickly and thoughtfully, while reminding ourselves that good always wins in the end.

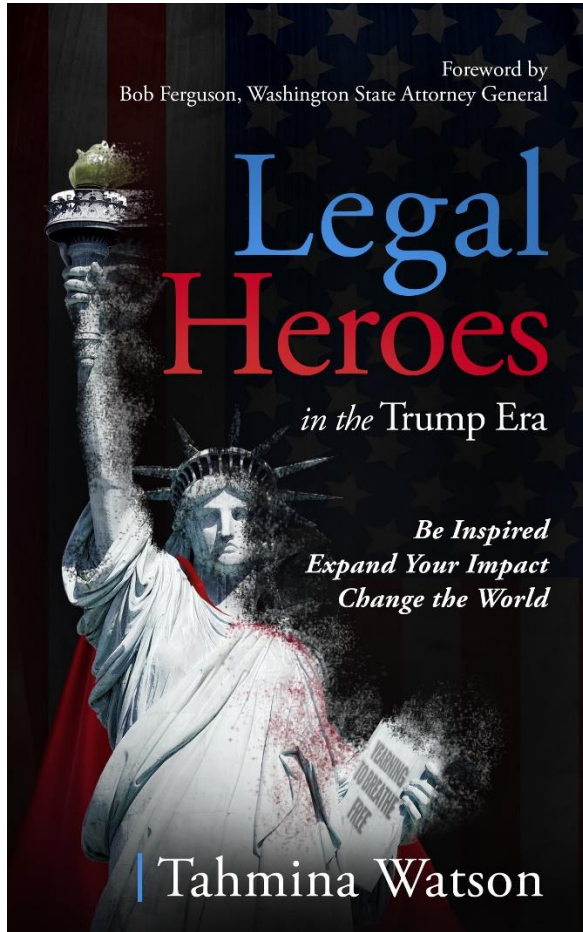
## Other questions:

4. What are some of the challenges in immigration law at the moment?
5. Give us an overview of why immigration reform is necessary.
6. Tell us about the economic contributions of the different types of immigrants in America.

## Book Tahmina:

To request an interview with Tahmina or to inquire about having her speak at your event, contact her at [info@watsonimmigrationlaw.com](mailto:info@watsonimmigrationlaw.com) or call +1-(206)-292-5237

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## *Legal Heroes in the Trump Era: Be Inspired. Expand Your Impact. Change the World.*

Lawyers are trained to work within the system. We're not advocates for revolution. Most of us aren't even comfortable being labelled "activists." But when the rule of law is in peril, as it is like never before, it is our duty to not just practice law, but to protect it.

This book tells the story of 14 "legal heroes" who have responded to the crises of the Trump presidency in innovative and inspiring ways, from advocating for asylum seekers on the southern border, to defending environmental protections in the nation's highest courts.

The creativity and sacrifice in these pages are a guide for anyone who believes in the law as a tool to fight oppression and advance the cause of freedom.

### Testimonials:

"This book is a must read for fearless warriors, who sacrificed and have fought hard for justice. The author, Tahmina Watson, is a skilled and compassionate leader in the fight against injustice against immigrants in the Trump era. Her leadership has not only affected many vulnerable people, but she has organized the community in a powerful way. This book devotes chapters to the difference local attorneys and others, such as Bob Ferguson, Washington State's Attorney General, have made in the immigrant community. The examples in this book can be used on a national scale. Tahmina is able to brilliantly weave these stories into a strong community response to one of the most difficult times in history".

*Michele Carney, Carney & Marchi Law, Seattle, WA*

"I love the book! I savored every story, every word about amazingly "ordinary" lawyers rising to the call to become true legal heroes in the time of Trump. You are an outstanding writer whose admiration and gratitude flow from the page and encourage the reader to aspire to join in and save Democracy."

*Joan Tierney, Retired Judge, Seattle, WA*

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