



AMERICAN COLLEGE
OF TRIAL LAWYERS

JOURNEY TO ELLIS ISLAND



2026 Annual Meeting
Saturday, October 24
7 p.m. - 11 p.m.

**Buses to Battery Park
depart on 49th Street
Between Waldorf & Barclay
from 5:00 p.m. - 5:25 p.m.**

What to Expect On Your Immigrant Evening Journey

Your Evening Begins

with a 15-minute Ferry Ride in New York's majestic harbor. Sail past Lady Liberty before disembarking like millions of immigrants who arrived on Ellis Island beginning in 1892 to escape religious persecution, political strife, unemployment and difficult circumstances.

Enjoy Cocktails and Hors d'Oeuvres

Upon arrival in the Baggage Room, explore the newly opened exhibit: "Immigrant Journeys: The Making of the United States", visit the Immigrant Wall of Honor, begin tracing your lineage in the Records Discovery Center, or step outside to take in the sweeping views of Lady Liberty and the iconic Manhattan skyline.

7:45 Second Floor Registry Room Opens

As you continue your journey upstairs, the corners of the Great Hall lead you through a stunning collection of artifacts while chronicling America's immigration history across centuries. Whether you choose to stop and dine, or explore the upper floor exhibits before pausing for dinner, the evening is yours to decide. Dinner served until 9:45 & dessert until 10:15.

RETURNING FERRIES SCHEDULE

Boarding:	9:00	9:45	10:30	11:00
Departing:	9:15	10:00	10:45	11:15

Immigrant Homelands Dinner Menu

EASTERN EUROPE

Grandmother's Slow Cooked Brisket
Russian Kulebiaka of Salmon
Dilled Cucumbers
Kasha Varnishkes and Challah Rolls

GREECE

Oregano-Roasted Leg of Lamb
Chopped Greek Salad
Dolmades with Feta

ITALY

Citrus Grilled Branzino
Tuscan Cannellini Beans
Penne Pomodoro ~ Grilled Vegetables
Fresh Mozzarella with Sun-Dried Tomatoes

SPAIN

Chicken & Chorizo Paella
With Mussels, Clams, Scallops & Shrimp
Vegetable Paella

AFRICA

Senegalese Yassa Chicken
Jollof Rice
South African Vegetable Tagine

INTERNATIONAL DESSERT PLATES

Dinner At Your Leisure
All Dishes Available Between
7:45 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.

Trace Your Ancestry – 1st Floor

The Records Discovery Center is staffed by Ellis Island Historians to assist with your family lineage search. 34 computer stations await your look through passenger lists, manifests and photos of vessels traveled, all of which will be emailed to you to share later with your family.

Don't Miss Upper Floors Exhibits

Registry Room

Nearly every day for over two decades (1900-1924), the Registry Room was filled with new arrivals waiting to be inspected and registered by Immigration Service officers.

Chronicles of Ellis Island, Treasures from Home and Silent Voices

Trace the history and expansion of the 1808 government takeover of a 3.5 acre sandbank that would serve as the U.S. gateway for over 3 tumultuous decades, and take in the display of cherished belongings carried by immigrants from their home countries.

Through America's Gate

The exhibits describe step-by-step what most new arrivals experienced on Ellis Island, the federal government's first immigrant inspection depot.

The Hearing Room

Restored to its 1911 look, this room served as a Board of Special Inquiry hearing room.

Did your relatives come through Ellis Island?

Information to help you search:

- First and Last Name
- Estimated arrival year
- Approx. year of birth
- Where they arrived (*N.Y., Boston, etc.*)
- Traveled with other family members

Museum Exhibits

