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In addition, Carmen worked as Senior Immigration Attorney at Her Justice, a nonprofit focused on protecting the rights of low-income women. Carmen has also taught immigration law in the Continuing Education Program at Queens College, served as a long-term volunteer with The Immigrant Defense Project, which addresses the intersection of immigration and criminal law, and represented detained children facing removal at the Florence Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project.

A graduate of New York University and Brooklyn Law School, Carmen has published several articles within her field. She currently sits on the Immigration Committee of the New York State Bar Association, served as Co-Chair of the Media and Advocacy Committee of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (New York Chapter). In 2015, she was appointed to New York State's Advisory Council on Immigration Issues in the Family Court.