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AABA MARCH CLE PROGRAM

On Wednesday, March 27, 2013, the AABA held a CLE program on "Advancing Your Legal Career and Avoiding Common Pitfalls" at the offices of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP. The CLE featured a panel of speakers, including Quan Vu, Emily Kuo, Alan Tiller, and Judge Theresa Chang. Many thanks to the panelists for offering their thoughtful insight and to Sharon Yin for organizing the CLE. Special thanks to Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP for hosting the event and to the Asian American Bar Foundation for providing lunch!



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AABA March CLE Program



SAVE THE DATE!

SOLO & SMALL FIRM NETWORKING EVENT &

TWO PART CLE PROGRAM:

***“PART ONE – NUTS AND BOLTS OF STARTING
YOUR OWN LEGAL PRACTICE”***

DATE:

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2013

TIME:

5:30 p.m. Wine & Hors d'oeuvre Reception

6:00 p.m. CLE Panel

7:30 p.m. Dessert Reception

PLACE:

TASTING ROOM, CITY CENTER

818 Town and Country Blvd

Houston, TX 77024

This event is free.

Approved for 1.5 credit hours & .5 ethics.

R.S.V.P. at www.aabahouston.com by 4.15.13

For more information, contact a Solo & Small Firm Committee

Co-Chair: Caroline Cho at ccho@rapfirm.com;

Julie Pi Evans at Julie@jpelawfirm.com or

Brendon Singh at brendon.singh@ctsattorneys.com

AABA
NETWORKING HAPPY HOUR
WITH
MEXICAN AMERICAN BAR
ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON

**Come meet and mingle with the attorneys of MABAH over free drinks
and appetizers!**

WHEN:

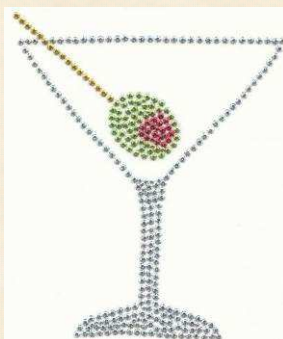
**Thursday, April 25, 2013
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

WHERE:

**Kung Fu Saloon
5317 Washington Ave.
Houston, Texas 77007**

RSVP at www.aabahouston.com by April 22, 2013.

**Please contact Social Committee Co-Chair Sandy Huynh with questions
at SandyH@scott-pc.com.**



SAVE THE DATE!

The AABA invites you to attend

CLE Program: Going In-House

Friday, May 10, 2013

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

**Locke Lord LLP
JPMorgan Chase Tower
Floor 25 Conference Room
Houston, Texas 77002**

Cost:

**Free for AABA members
\$20/person for non-members**

Lunch will be provided courtesy of Locke Lord LLP.

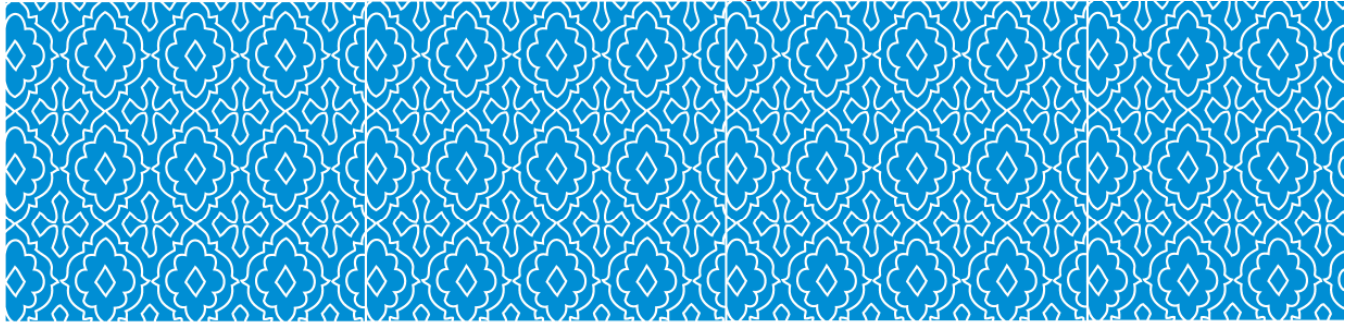
RSVP at www.aabahouston.com by May 6, 2013.

This CLE will feature the following panelists:

- **Paul Chung, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary at Targa Resources**
- **Anderson Lee, Chief Compliance & HSE Counsel at Archer**
- **Monica Karuturi, Counsel at LyondellBasell**
- **Alicia Hinds, Managing Director at Newhouse & Noblin**

*** 1.5 hours CLE credit pending**

Please contact Vice President of Programs Sharon Yin at Syin@llppe.com for more information.



Call for Nominations for the
2013 IMPACT AWARD

*Nominations are now being taken for the
2013 Impact Award, which will be presented at the
2013 AABA Gala & Silent Auction.*

Criteria:

Nominees should have made significant contributions
to the growth and development of the Asian American legal
community in the Greater Houston Area.

Nomination Period:

Nominations will be accepted from Friday, April 12, 2013
through Friday, May 10, 2013.

Please submit nominations to AABA President, Alice Huang,
at ahuang@lockelord.com





** AABA * HVLP * VN Teamwork * Boat People SOS **

The AABA, Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program, VN Teamwork, and Boat People SOS are hosting the annual Wills Clinic to assist low-income residents of the local Asian-American community. We are in need of:

- Volunteer Attorneys
- Volunteer Witnesses
- Volunteer Translators (Vietnamese and Chinese)
- Volunteer Notaries

Please contact Tyrone Lin at tyrone.lin@hvlp.org if you wish to volunteer.

Law students are welcome to be witnesses and translators!

Volunteer Attorney Training

Thursday, May 23, 2013

11:30 - 1:00 PM

Porter Hedges LLP

1000 Main Street, 36th Floor

Houston, TX 77002

***1.5 hours CLE credit pending**

Lunch will be provided courtesy of Porter Hedges LLP.

Please note that parking is available in the firm's building, and validation is available at the receptionist's desk.

Attorneys, please register online at www.aabahouston.com by Monday, **May 20, 2013.**

Wills Clinic

Saturday, June 29, 2013

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

VN Teamwork Center

11210 Bellaire Boulevard, #118

Houston, TX 77072

If you cannot attend the Training but would like to prepare documents for the Clinic, please contact Sharon Yin at Syn@lppc.com.



Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.

**P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252**

2013 AABF Honorable Herbert W. Gee Memorial Scholarship

Application Guidelines

2013

The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. seeks to award a \$2,000 scholarship in honor of the late Judge Herbert W. Gee, who was Associate Presiding Judge for the City of Houston Municipal Courts, a founding member and Past President of the Asian American Bar Association, and a recipient of the 2010 AABA Impact Award. The 2013 AABF Honorable Herbert W. Gee Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an individual applicant who best embodies the spirit of the late Judge Gee who (1) was dedicated to serving the public, (2) supported the Asian American community in the greater Houston area, and (3) exemplified intelligence, generosity and leadership in his everyday life. The foregoing criteria may be weighed in any order as determined by the AABF.

To be eligible, an applicant must be (1) a member of the AABA, (2) enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in Texas, and (3) intend to reside and seek employment in the greater Houston metropolitan area after graduation. Applicants should submit application packages containing the following information to the Scholarship/Grant Committee, where applicable:

1. Name of applicant
2. Contact information (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address)
3. Name of school
4. School address and contact information for registrar's office
5. Degree sought
6. Expected graduation date
7. Copy of transcript, GPA and class rank (if available) or other proof of enrollment at an ABA-accredited law school in Texas
8. Educational background
9. Course work, clinics or other relevant extracurricular activities at current or previous schools relevant to AABF's purposes listed above
10. Employment history (if any)
11. Employment experience relevant to the criteria listed above
12. Community and volunteer experience relevant to criteria listed above
13. Involvement with Asian American community relevant to criteria listed above



14. Leadership experience relevant to criteria listed above
15. Independent research or publications relevant to criteria listed above
16. Awards, honors, scholarships received
17. Other activities, hobbies, skills, positions held in any organizations, etc.
18. Any other information that applicant desires to provide to assist in the application process
19. Cover letter stating how the applicant demonstrates or embodies the criteria set forth above

The scholarship recipient will receive a \$2,000 scholarship to help cover tuition and academic expenses and 1 ticket to the Asian American Bar Association of Houston's annual gala, to be held Friday, September 6, 2013 (tentative date), where the scholarship will be presented. The scholarship recipient is required to submit a final report at the following year updating the AABF on the status of the recipient's studies and activities and how the scholarship has helped the recipient.

Scholarship applicants are advised to use these application guidelines as a reference and checklist to ensure that all necessary information is provided with the original application package. The AABF Scholarship/Grant Committee may contact applicants if additional information is required, but the Scholarship/Grant Committee reserves the right to disqualify application packages from consideration if key information is not included. The AABF reserves the right to subdivide the scholarship or increase the number of scholarships in its sole discretion.

Application packages must be postmarked no later than July 15, 2013, and mailed to the following address:

Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship/Grant Committee
P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252

At this time, grant applications are not accepted by electronic mail unless approved by Catherine Than. For additional information, please contact Catherine Than at cthan@aol.com.



Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.

**P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252**

Community Organization Grant
**Community Organization Grant Guidelines
2013**

The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. seeks to award up to 2 community organization grants to Texas-based charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations whose pursuits will impact the Greater Houston Metropolitan Area by (1) expanding the scope of legal services available to the Asian American community; (2) increasing the number of Asian Americans working as lawyers or in legal services; (3) educating members of the Asian American community of their civil and legal rights; (4) stimulating legal discourse by and/or about Asian Americans, the Asian American cultures and Asian American communities; or (5) otherwise promoting the interests of Asian Americans.

The 2013 AABF Community Organization Grant is a grant of up to \$5,000 to a charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that fulfills the aims described in the preceding paragraph. The foregoing criteria may be weighed in any order as determined by the AABF. Applicant organizations must be charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations incorporated or formed under the laws of the State of Texas and/or otherwise demonstrate a substantial connection to the greater Houston metropolitan area. Applicant organizations should submit application packages containing the following information to the Scholarship/Grant Committee:

1. Name of applicant organization
2. Contact information (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address) of applicant organization and representative of applicant organization
3. Proof of 501(c)(3) status of the organization
4. Copy of the mission statement (or, if no official mission statement exists, a statement of the primary purpose) of the applicant organization and information and materials about the applicant organization sufficient for the Scholarship/Grant Committee to understand the purpose of and activities conducted by the applicant organization
5. Information regarding a few recent events held by the applicant organization, if any
6. Description of and information relating to the program or event for which the grant funds are to be applied (the more detail, the better). Please keep in mind that the AABF cannot fund programs or activities that are not in keeping with its mission; therefore, program and activity descriptions should be detailed enough for the AABF to discern whether it is within the AABF's mission or guidelines.



7. Any other information that applicant organization desires to provide to assist in the application process
8. Cover letter stating how a community organization grant will help the applicant organization to achieve AABF's purposes listed above and serve the public interest

The grant recipient will receive an award of up to \$5,000 and a ticket for one of its representatives to attend the Asian American Bar Association of Houston's annual gala, to be held Friday, September 6, 2013 (tentative date), where the grant will be presented. The grant recipient is required to submit a final report no later than thirty (30) days after completion of the program or event that is supported by the grant funds explaining how the grant funds were used and the results of the program or event. Failure to provide the report may jeopardize future grants to the recipient organization.

Applicant organizations are advised to use these application guidelines as a reference and checklist to ensure that all necessary information is provided with the original application package. The AABF Scholarship/Grant Committee may contact applicants if additional information is required, but the Scholarship/Grant Committee reserves the right to disqualify application packages from consideration if key information is not included. The AABF reserves the right to subdivide the grants or increase the number of grants in its sole discretion.

Application packages must be postmarked no later than August 6, 2013, and mailed to the following address:

Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship/Grant Committee
P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252

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**APALSA Grant
Grant Application Guidelines
2013**

The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. seeks to award 1-3 grants to Asian Pacific American Law Student Association groups of accredited law schools located in the greater Houston metropolitan area.

The 2013 APALSA Grant is a one-time grant, for the Fall 2013/Spring 2014 academic year in the amount of up to \$1,000 depending on need. Grants will be given to 1-3 APALSAs selected by the AABF taking into account the financial need of the specific APALSA group and the nature of the activities or programs for which support is being requested, which programs have to be consistent with the AABF's goals of (1) expanding the scope of legal services available to the Asian American community; (2) increasing the number of Asian Americans working as lawyers or in legal services; (3) educating members of the Asian American community of their civil and legal rights; (4) stimulating legal discourse by and/or about Asian Americans, the Asian American cultures and Asian American communities; or (5) otherwise promoting the interests of Asian Americans. The foregoing criteria may be weighed in any order as determined by the AABF. Applicant APALSA groups should submit application packages containing the following information to the Scholarship/Grant Committee:

1. Name of applicant APALSA organization
2. Contact information (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address)
3. Name of school
4. School address and contact information for registrar's office
5. Information about APALSA, including estimated size and types of programs
6. Projected budget for Fall 2013/Spring 2014 Academic Year, including projected expenses and sources of income
7. Budget from previous Fall 2012/Spring 2013 Academic Year
8. Description (including estimated cost) of programs or activities for which support is being requested (with emphasis on how they satisfy some or all of the foregoing criteria). Please keep in mind that the AABF cannot fund programs or activities that are not in keeping with its mission; therefore, program and activity descriptions should be detailed enough for the AABF to discern whether it is within the AABF's mission or guidelines.



9. Any other information that applicant desires to provide to assist in the application process
10. Cover letter stating how a grant to the applicant will achieve AABF's purposes listed above

The grant recipient will receive a one-time grant of up to \$1,000. The grant recipient is required to submit a final report regarding the programs or activities for which the grant is awarded no later than thirty (30) days after the last of such programs or activities is held or explaining how the grant funds were used and the results of the program or event. Failure to provide the report may jeopardize future grants to the recipient organization.

Grant applicants are advised to use these application guidelines as a reference and checklist to ensure that all necessary information is provided with the original application package. The AABF Scholarship/Grant Committee may contact applicants if additional information is required, but the Scholarship/Grant Committee reserves the right to disqualify application packages from consideration if key information is not included. The AABF reserves the right to subdivide the grants or increase the number of grants in its sole discretion.

Application packages must be postmarked no later than August 31, 2013, and mailed to the following address:

Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship/Grant Committee
P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252

At this time, grant applications are not accepted by electronic mail unless approved by Catherine Than. For additional information, please contact Catherine Than at cthan@aol.com.

DRI LAW STUDENT DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP



DRI's Law Student Diversity Scholarship Now Accepting Applicants

Application Deadline is Friday, April 19, 2013

DRI is now accepting applicants for its annual Law Student Diversity Scholarship open to incoming second- and third-year African American, Hispanic, Asian and Native American students. The goal of these scholarships is to provide financial assistance to two worthy law students from ABA accredited law schools in order to promote, in a tangible way, the DRI Diversity Statement of Principle.

Incoming second- and third-year female law students are also eligible, regardless of race or ethnicity. Incoming second- and third-year law students who also come from backgrounds that would add to the cause of diversity, regardless of race or gender, are eligible to apply.

To qualify for this scholarship, candidates must be full-time students. Evening students also qualify for consideration if they have completed one-third or more of the total credit hours required for a degree by the applicant's law school.

Two scholarships in the amount of \$10,000 each will be awarded to applicants who best meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrated academic excellence
- Service to the profession
- Service to the community
- Service to the cause of diversity

Applications must be received by DRI no later than Friday, April 19, 2013. [Click here](#) for complete scholarship details and how to apply.

Scholarship winners will be notified in advance and will be officially announced at the [2013 DRI Diversity for Success Seminar, May 30-31, in Chicago](#).

To access the links and read more about the scholarship, please visit: www.dri.org/About#awards



*The University of Houston Law Center
Asian Law Students Association*

Cordially Invites You To Our

Third Annual Spring Banquet

Thursday, April 25th 2013

6:00-9:00pm

Cocktails at 5:30pm

at

The Grove Houston

1611 Lamar St. Houston, TX 77010

Featuring Our Keynote Speaker

Mr. Gordon Quan

*Co-Chair of Foster Quan, LLP and the first Asian American
to be elected citywide to the Houston City Council
and to serve as Mayor Pro Tem*

\$40 for Non-ALSA Affiliated Law Students

\$50 for Non-VHLC Affiliated Guests

\$70 for Law Faculty and Staff

\$70 for Individual Attorneys

*Questions? Please Contact Fei Ji
at fji2@central.uh.edu*

WOMEN TO WATCH CAREER ADVANCEMENT & LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

A one day workshop that teaches women the skills necessary to take charge of their own career advancement in order to break into positions of influence, responsibility and leadership.



Houston, Texas

Friday, April 26,
2013

Houston Marriott
Energy Corridor
Hotel

9:30 am- 3:30 pm



ARE YOU A WOMAN TO WATCH?

Calling all high potential female employees who want to discover what it really takes to effectively and tastefully advance your own career and break into leadership!

Myth: "If I just work hard and keep my head down, I will get noticed and promoted at work."

The rules of the workplace are you have to be willing to self-advocate for what you want - promotion, raise, bigger accounts, and leadership responsibilities.

In this one day workshop, Amy will show you the necessary techniques to gracefully self-advocate for your career advancement, while increasing your influence and leadership presence.

BENEFITS OF ENROLLING

- Identify your Career and Leadership Vision
- Become Strategic in your Career
- Increase your Organizational Savvy
- Leverage Resources and Networks
- Project a competent Leadership Presence
- Learn to effectively Self-Promote
- Develop a 30 day Personal Action Plan

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Any professional woman who is ready to

- ✓ Learn the key strategies and valuable action steps to take charge of your career trajectory.
- ✓ Increase her visibility, influence and leadership presence by effectively self-promoting.
- ✓ Gain the necessary support, guidance, and wisdom from a national executive coach and a group of like-minded professional peers.

**IDEAL FOR CORPORATE WOMEN'S NETWORK GROUP OR YOUR
WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE!**

THE FACILITATOR



Amy L. Robinson is an executive leadership coach who specializes in developing emerging leaders. She is passionate about helping female high potentials aspire higher in their careers and lives. In addition to her workshops and seminars, Amy offers individual and group coaching. Her professional women's leadership development program *Aspire Higher*, now in its third year and fifth class offering, attracts female emerging leaders from

- Dow Chemical
- British Petroleum
- Oracle
- Baker Hughes
- Mustang Energy
- Schlumberger
- INOVA
- Boardwalk Pipeline Partners
- University of Houston
- Girl Scouts of San Jacinto

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Break into positions of influence, responsibility and leadership!


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9:30 am- 3:30 pm


PROGRAM SCHEDULE

9:30 – 10:00 Registration and Networking

10:00 – 12:00 Welcome

“Hitting the Bulls Eye”: Get clear on your Career Vision and Direction.

If you don't know where you are headed, or what you want, how will you know when you get there? It is every leader's responsibility to set direction in her career rather than wait for whatever is handed out. Learn how to get clear on your career path, design win-win goals and assign action that will drive your direction and success!

Topics include:

- Develop Vision and Strategy in your Career
- Know your Strengths, Weaknesses and Blind Spots
- Build your Organizational Awareness
- Expand your Sphere of Influence and Network
- Set Productive Goals for more Success

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 3:00 “Get Your Ask Up”: Learn how to gracefully and effectively self-advocate for your career advancement while increasing your Confidence, Visibility and Leadership Presence.

Topics Include:

- The Principles of Self-Leadership
- How to Communicate to and Influence Others
- Securing your Bargaining Power while increasing your Confidence
- Amy's Top 10 Tips to Self-Advocate *tastefully*

3:00 – 3:30 Concluding Remarks

REGISTRATION:

Individual: \$ 259 per person

Group: A discounted rate of \$ 239 per person is given to groups of three or more.

Hotel is offering a special rate for overnight guests.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Visit us online at <http://amylob.wordpress.com/live-workshop/>

Or email Amy@AmyLRobinson.com

Or call us at **832-419-0639**

Would you like to learn more about bringing a *Women To Watch* workshop on-site to your corporate women's network or professional association?

Call Amy at 832-419-0639 to customize your workshop.

To register <http://amylob.wordpress.com/live-workshop/> www.AmyLRobinson.com Phone 832.419.0639

Email Amy@AmyLRobinson.com

The State Bar Office of Minority Affairs presents the 11th Annual

Texas Minority Attorney Program

Cosponsored by the State Bar of Texas Diversity in the Profession Committee

LIVE Houston

May 3, 2013
South Texas College of Law
Garrett-Townes Auditorium
1303 San Jacinto Street
Houston, Texas 77002
(713) 659-8040

Register by April 19, 2013
and **Save!**



Friday, May 3, 2013

6.5 hours including 3 hours ethics

- 7:45 **At-the-Door Registration**
(for non pre-registered attendees)
- 8:15 **Pre-Registered Attendee Check-In**

Continental Breakfast Provided
- 8:35 **Welcoming Remarks**
Course Director
J. Goodwille Pierre, *Deer Park*
CBIC Construction & Development, LLC
- Course Director
Keshia Rodriguez, *Houston*
Sedgwick LLP

BUILDING AND PROTECTING YOUR PRACTICE

- 8:45 **Hot Topics in... 1 hr**
...Family Law
Judy Kurth Dougherty, *Houston*
Dougherty & Dougherty
- ...Immigration Law**
Helene N. Dang, *Houston*
FosterQuan, LLP
- ...Real Estate Law**
Antoinette (Toni) Jackson, *Houston*
Coats | Rose

- 9:45 **Practical Tips to Better Your
Personal Injury Law Practice**
.5 hr
Johnny N. Garza Jr., *Houston*
Adame * Garza
- 10:15 **Break**
- 10:30 **Protecting Your Legal
Reputation .5 hr ethics**
Jennifer A. Hasley, *Houston*
Hasley Scarano, L.L.P.
- 11:00 **Lex Encryptus: Keeping Client
Data and Your Law License
Secure 1 hr ethics**
Ronald Chichester, *Houston*
Ronald Chichester, P.C.
- Michael D. Peck, *Houston*
- 12:00 **Break – Lunch Provided**
- 12:15 **Keynote Luncheon Presentation**
.5 hr
Speaker TBA
- 12:45 **Break**
- 1:00 **Mastering the Social Media
Maze 1 hr (.5 ethics) Sponsored by
AT&T**
Crystal Washington, *Houston*
CWM Enterprises

- 2:00 **Why and How You Should Do Pro
Bono .5 hr ethics**
Alissa Rubin Gomez, *Houston*
Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program
- 2:30 **Break**
- 2:45 **Transactional Law .5 hr**
Shahara Wright Menchan, *Stafford*
The Wright Firm, PLLC
- 3:15 **Judges Panel 1 hr (.5 ethics)**
Moderator
David A. Chaumette, *Sugar Land*
Chaumette PLLC
- Hon. Josefina Rendon, *Houston*
City of Houston Municipal Court
- Additional Speakers TBA
- 4:15 **Adjourn**

MCLE CREDIT

MCLE COURSE NO: 901265448
6.5 Hours (3 Ethics)

Portions of this CLE activity may qualify for
TBLS specialization credit upon request.
Please contact TBLS for individual credit in
your speciality area.

Registration Form

WAYS TO REGISTER

Online

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credit card only

Phone

800-204-2222, x1574
during business hours
credit card only

Fax

512-427-4111
credit card only

Mail

State Bar of Texas - CLE
LB #972298
P. O. Box 972298
Dallas, TX 75397-2298
check or credit card

Registering five or more?

E-mail Laura Angle at
laura.angle@texasbar.com
for group discount
information.

Save **\$10!**

Texas Minority Attorney Program

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Register me for:

TMAP San Antonio [1712HOU]

☐ LIVE, May 3 \$90

Take \$10 OFF: Register by **April 19, 2013**

TMAP Houston [1712AUS]

☐ LIVE, May 16 \$90

Take \$10 OFF: Register by **May 2, 2013**

I may attend complimentary because:

I am ☐ a qualifying judge or ☐ court staff attorney (see p. 4).

Enjoy these course amenities:

- Continental breakfast and lunch provided
- Course materials on a convenient USB drive

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I want my course materials format to be:

- ☐ Electronic materials (PDFs on a USB drive)
- ☐ Hard-copy materials (1 book) **ADD \$25**
- ☐ BOTH so I'll **ADD \$45**

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I'm entitled to a discount on this course:

- ☐ **\$10 OFF** because I'm registering by the "Register by" date at left. (If by mail, date of postmark will be the determinative.)

\$ _____ is my total for course(s) and materials.

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I can't attend. Just send course materials.* **FREE Shipping & Handling**

- ☐ Course book \$85 each[†]
- ☐ Course materials on USB drive \$85 each[†]

For information on audio CDs of the course topics, contact our DVD CLE service at 800-204-2222, x1575. MP3 files of the course topics will be downloadable from TexasBarCLE.com 6-8 weeks after the course.

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I am paying by:

☐ Check (enclosed) payable to the State Bar of Texas for \$ _____

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ AMEX ☐ Discover

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State Bar Membership No. _____

Name _____ Badge Name _____

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Address for Bar-Related Mail _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ Fax () _____

E-Mail: _____

A confirmation of your registration will be sent to the e-mail address you provide.

**PDFs of course materials will be available for purchase 6-8 weeks after the course in the Online Library at TexasBarCLE.com. Registrants receive access to the PDFs at no additional charge (see "Free to Our Registrants" in this brochure).*

[†]Plus 8.25% sales tax on total. Please include sales tax or attach an exemption certificate. Book and USB orders are shipped separately and filled 4-6 weeks after the live program. A bill will be sent unless a credit card charge is authorized on this form.

QUESTIONS?

800-204-2222, x1574 • 512-427-1574



Intellectual Property Law Section State Bar of Texas

Women and Minority Scholarship

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The purpose of this scholarship is to facilitate and encourage women and minorities to enter the practice of intellectual property law in Texas, and to become active members of the State Bar IP Section, by assisting these students with their financial needs. Selection criteria of the scholarships include: merit, scholastic performance, and financial need. Consideration is also given to extracurricular activities both inside and outside law school.

Interested students can obtain an application form online at www.texasbariplaw.org or from the Financial Aid or the Dean's Office. **Applications must be postmarked by no later than May 3, 2013.** The scholarships will be awarded in June 2013.



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This application should be completed and returned either by: (1) mail to the SBOT IP Section's Women and Minority Scholarship Selection Committee, c/o Syed K. Fareed, Vinson & Elkins LLP, 2801 Via Fortuna, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78746; or (2) email to Syed K. Fareed at sfareed@velaw.com (entire applications only (e.g., applications including the recommendations, essays, and transcripts)).

Applications must be postmarked or time stamped by no later than May 3, 2013. The scholarships will be awarded at the IP Section's meeting during the 2012 State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting.

Please print or type in black ink.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME: _____

GENDER: _____ AGE: _____ D.O.B.: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ ALTERNATE PHONE: _____

ETHNIC BACKGROUND:

_____ African American _____ Asian American _____ Hispanic _____ Caucasian
_____ Native American _____ Other (please specify)

MARITAL STATUS: _____ Single _____ Married

NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS: _____

II. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

LAW SCHOOL NAME: _____

GPA: (cumulative) _____ EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: _____

UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE NAME: _____

DEGREE: _____ GPA: _____ GRADUATION DATE: _____

GRADUATE DEGREES (College, Degree, Date): _____

Please also attach a copy of all college, graduate school (if any) and law school transcripts. If your law school transcript does not yet include your grades for the Spring 2013 semester, please separately provide information on all grades you have received to date and supplement with remaining grades as soon as possible after you receive them.

LAW SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

III. RECOMMENDATIONS AND ESSAY

Please attach (1) at least two letters of recommendation and (2) a typewritten essay of no more than two pages addressing the following:

Why you plan to pursue a career in intellectual property law in Texas; and

Any qualifications that you believe are relevant for your consideration for this scholarship.

(Optional) Any issues of financial need that you would like the Committee to consider.

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT: I have reviewed the information listed in this application for omission and errors. To the best of my knowledge the information is complete and accurate as reported. I understand that the IP Section's Women and Minority Scholarship Selection Committee reserves the right to investigate all information stated in this application.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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May 9, 2013
7:00pm

THE HESS CLUB
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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Spring is in the air! It's time to shed those extra layers of clothing to reveal a refreshed look for Spring. But what to wear you ask?

Chloe Dao, winner of season 2 of *Project Runway*, and a fashion icon for the city of Houston, may have some suggestions. Chloe has always been active in charitable work for the community. This year, she is generously hosting a fashion show to benefit BPSOS-Houston to support the incredible work the organization has done for the most underserved and vulnerable community members.

I am writing to request your support for this great event and for BPSOS-Houston. Since 1999, BPSOS-Houston has provided invaluable services to the community in Greater Houston and upper East Texas coast. From assisting refugees and torture survivors to disaster recovery assistance following Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Ike, BPSOS-Houston has risen to the occasion each time to provide necessary services to the most affected communities. I hope you will rise to the occasion to support our mission to empower, organize, and equip Vietnamese individuals and communities in their pursuit of liberty and dignity.

The success of our work relies heavily on the generous support of individual donors and tireless volunteers such as you. Therefore, we cordially invite you to become a sponsor and attend this incredible fashion show hosted by our friend and benefactor, Chloe Dao. With your generous support and tax-deductible contribution, we can dramatically impact the lives of so many in the Vietnamese and Asian community.

We graciously thank Chloe Dao for her continued generosity and support. Please consider supporting BPSOS-Houston at one of the individual or corporate sponsorship levels detailed on the sponsorship form.

Regards,

Vinh Ho
Executive Director
BPSOS-Houston

2013 Sponsorship Levels

Couture: \$2,500

- *Logo on BPSOS-Houston website as Couture Sponsor*
- *Recognition in all 2013-2014 BPSOS publications and logo display at all BPSOS events*
- *Logo on Chloe Dao Fashion Show program book as a sponsor*
- *Logo on Chloe Dao Fashion Show post cards*
- *Logo on fashion show red carpet backdrop*
- *VIP table with ten free fashion show tickets with drink*
- *Gift bag from Chloe Dao*

Designer: \$1,500

- *Logo on BPSOS-Houston website as Designer Sponsor*
- *Recognition in all 2013-2014 BPSOS publications and logo display at all BPSOS events*
- *Logo on Chloe Dao Fashion Show program book as a sponsor*
- *Ten free fashion show tickets with drink*

Contemporary: \$500

- *Identification on BPSOS-Houston website as Contemporary Sponsor*
- *Recognition in all 2013-2014 BPSOS publications*
- *Logo on Chloe Dao Fashion Show program book as a sponsor*
- *Five free fashion show tickets with drink*

All sponsors will receive regular updates on **BPSOS-Houston** activities and developments. In-kind donations are welcome, and will be credited by the dollar value of services donated. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please complete the included sponsorship form and designate the desired sponsorship level.

Chloe Dao Fashion Show Fundraiser Benefiting Boat People SOS-Houston

2013 Sponsor Information Form

Please provide the information below. Please note that contributions should be made payable to BPSOS. All donations are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.

Type of Sponsor: ☐ Business ☐ Individual

Name/Company: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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☐ Couture \$2,500 ☐ Designer \$1,500 ☐ Contemporary \$500

☐ Specific amount of contribution: \$ _____

If you are providing an in-kind donation, please provide a brief description of the services or supplies and the estimated value of the donation.

Please mail your tax deductible contribution, payable to BPSOS, along with this form to:

BPSOS-Houston
11360 Bellaire Blvd, Ste 910
Houston, TX 77072

Or fax this form to:

(281)530-6838

For additional information, please contact Jannette Diep at jannette.diep@bpsos.org or call (281)530-6888.

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Job Opportunities

BNY Mellon

CT Transactions Mgr- TMG in Houston, Texas

Interested candidates should apply directly to the <http://www.bnymellon.com/careers/> website to position number: 1301240.

The Transaction Manager is responsible for the review, negotiation and execution of governing deal documents entered into by BNY Mellon Corporate Trust and shall effectively see transactions through to closing. Serves as primary point of contact (in conjunction with Client & Business Development and/or Global Client Solutions) with all external parties on new transactions, communicating matters of concern to internal working groups and provide on transaction management consultation during the life of the issue.

Bachelor's Degree or higher academic qualification; preference for legal qualification in a common law and/or civil law jurisdiction, as appropriate is preferred. 1 -2 years of experience of legal private practice and/or Corporate Trust and/or banking environment involving document negotiation. 3- 5 years of capital markets experience of legal private practice, Corporate Trust and/or banking environment, and managing a team of professionals engaged in document negotiation preferred.

Current Department of Justice Attorney Vacancies

Please visit <http://www.justice.gov/careers/legal/attvacancies.html> for more information about the following job vacancies:

Chief, Counterespionage Section National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. – Deadline: April 29

Trial Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development – Deadline: April 19

Deputy Chief for Litigation/Supervisory Trial Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section, Washington, D.C. – Deadline: April 17

Director, Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. – Deadline: April 22

Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Civil Division, Northern District of New York – Deadline: April 15

National Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council Coordinator, Counterterrorism Section, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. – Deadline: April 19

Experienced Trial Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section, Washington, D.C. – Deadline: April 26

Job Opportunities

Experienced Trial Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section, Bogota, Columbia – Deadline: April 26

Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration, Office of Chief Counsel Diversion and Regulatory Litigation Section – Open Until Filled

Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Western District of Washington, Seattle, Washington – Open Until Filled

Administrative Law Judge

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has developed a new examination for the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) position. Soon, OPM will post a job opportunity announcement to accept applications to take the ALJ examination. Once the examination cycle is complete and scores are processed, OPM will terminate the existing ALJ register and replace it with a new ALJ register. Agencies may continue to request certificates from the current register, and hire from those certificates, until the new ALJ register is established.

A job opportunity announcement will be posted in the near future on OPM's USAJOBS website at <https://opm.usajobs.gov>. Individuals can conduct a search with the job title "Administrative Law Judge" to locate the OPM job opportunity announcement when it is posted. All candidates on the current register must reapply and complete the new examination to be placed on the new ALJ register and can be considered for ALJ positions in the future. The announcement will provide full details about the application and the examination process.

Get to Know an AABA MEMBER!



Name: Robbie Carman

Firm: Thompson & Knight LLP

Practice Areas: Corporate and Securities

If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . the owner of a taekwondo school.

The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . probably roasted crickets, though I still think imitation crab meat is pretty odd.

In my spare time, I enjoy . . . watching sports, playing guitar, trying out new restaurants, reading books about how people work (on "Brain Rules" right now).

If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . "The Boy with the Magic Glasses".

In my opinion, the best restaurant in Houston is . . . Uchi.

The coolest store in Houston is . . . Central Market.

The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . the Houston Rockets and the New York Giants (my dad, a native New Yorker, brainwashed me into being a Giants fan from the very beginning).

My favorite decade for music is the 90s, and my favorite song is . . . Goo Goo Dolls - Slide.

My favorite quote is . . . "Don't part with your illusions. When they are gone you may still exist, but you have ceased to live." – Mark Twain

I recommend reading . . . "Phantoms in the Brain" by V.S. Ramachandran.

Most AABA members probably don't know that . . . my love-of-karaoke to talent-in-singing ratio is comically disproportional.

Get to Know an AABA MEMBER!



Name: John Na

Firm: The Tammy Tran Law Firm

Practice Areas: Civil Litigation, Mass Torts

If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . (ideally) a professional hockey player; (realistically) working for my dad or a car mechanic.

The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . a puppy. I guess I should explain myself, I was in Vietnam and was presented with a hot pot, after I had started eating it, I was told the meat was "young dog". I didn't stop eating it out of courtesy, but I wouldn't eat it again.

In my spare time, I enjoy . . . golfing, modifying my car, and playing flag football.

If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . "The fast and the not so furious".

In my opinion, the best restaurant in Houston is . . . Pappas Brothers for steak and Oiishi for sushi.

The coolest store in Houston is . . . I do most of my shopping online, but I have been known to wander around Walmart.

The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . Dallas Cowgirls, Houston Texans, L.A. Lakers, and sometimes the Rockets and Mavericks.

My decade for music is the 2000's and my favorite song is . . . "I Made It" – Kevin Rudolf.

My favorite quote is . . . "Don't get mad, get better."

I recommend reading the last book I read, which was John Grisham, "The Pelican Brief". I have a pile of other John Grisham books I've been meaning to read . . .

Most AABA members probably don't know that I . . . live my life a quarter mile at a time.

Many thanks to our 2013 Major Underwriters!

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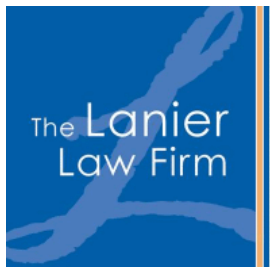
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It's that time of year again... Renew your **AABA** membership!



The AABA is accepting membership applications and renewals for 2013!

You may apply for membership online at www.aabahouston.com
or by completing and submitting the attached form and dues.

If you haven't already applied for membership to the AABA, then you are missing out on all the benefits of membership. Members of the AABA receive significant discounts to all AABA events, as well as invitations to exclusive members-only seminars and programs such as the annual Corporate Counsel Dinner and inclusion in the Attorney Profiles Directory. Become an AABA member today, and gain access to all of the networking, career enhancement, mentorship, and volunteer opportunities and resources that the AABA has to offer!

Another terrific benefit of AABA membership is automatic membership in the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association ("NAPABA").

The **AABA** welcomes the following new and renewing members!

Polin Chieu, *Winstead PC*



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Asian American Bar Association of Houston 2013 Membership Application/Renewal

- ☐ \$50 General Member
☐ \$25 Public Interest Attorney
☐ \$25 Government Attorney • Judge
☐ \$25 Solo Practitioner
☐ \$0 Law Student • Retired Attorney • Transitional Attorney*

Bar Number and Jurisdiction _____

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Employer _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Office # _____ Home # _____

Fax # _____ E-Mail _____

Area(s) of Practice _____

Law School and Graduation Year _____

Language(s) Spoken _____

Would you like to receive the AABA Newsletter by E-Mail? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Would you like your business contact information published in the 2013 AABA Directory? ☐ Yes ☐ No

By completing this membership application, I hereby consent to the receipt of notice of meeting through electronic means.

Please give us any comments or programming suggestions you might have: _____

Please indicate any committees on which you would be interested in serving:

- ☐ Gala ☐ Fundraising ☐ Programs ☐ Social/Networking ☐ Community Relations/Pro Bono
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