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AABA 2013

Lunar New Year

Dim Sum Celebration



On Sunday, February 17, 2013, the AABA celebrated the Year of the Snake with a family dim sum at Fung's Kitchen. Thanks to our Social Committee Co-chairs Claudia Gee Vassar and Sandy Huynh for organizing this family event!



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AABA 2013 Lunar New Year Dim Sum Celebration



LAW DAY POSTER WORKSHOP

On Saturday, February 23, 2013, the AABA sponsored a Poster Workshop with the Houston Bar Association in connection with Law Week at the Chinese Community Center to help students to recognize the importance of law in our society. Many thanks to special guest, Judge Theresa Chang, for providing remarks to the students and to those who helped make the event a success, including AABA volunteers Janet Brown, Helene Dang, David Hsu, Eunice Song, Clinton Yu, and Zuotian Deng.



AABA 2013

Career Night and Mentorship Kickoff

On March 6, 2013, the AABA hosted a career night and mentorship kickoff event at South Texas School of Law. The event featured a panel of speakers from diverse practice areas, including Jason Luong, Daniel Hu, John Tang, Daniel Chen, and Lisa Wang. Special thanks to the panelists for offering their thoughtful insight and useful career advice. Thanks to our Mentorship and Law School Relations Committee Co-chairs, Jennifer Fung, Melody Wang, and Catharine Yen for organizing this event!



SAVE THE DATE!

The AABA invites you to attend

CLE Program: Advancing Your Legal Career and Avoiding Common Pitfalls

Wednesday, March 27, 2013

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

**Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP
Wells Fargo Plaza, Suite 3400
1000 Louisiana**

Lunch will be provided, and this event is free!

RSVP at www.aabahouston.com by March 25, 2013

This CLE will feature the following panelists: a senior in-house attorney, a Harris County District Judge and partners in private practice (both in large and boutique firms). Topics of discussion include best practices, chosen career paths, avoiding common mistakes and facing ethical dilemmas.

*** 1 hour CLE credit and .5 ethics credit pending**

Please contact Sharon Yin at Syin@llppc.com for more information.

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.

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



Blue Dragon Fundraising Event
Saturday, March 16th
5 – 7 P M

3737 Inverness Drive
Houston, TX 77019

Please RSVP as soon as possible to Kate Hill at
kate.hill@sidley.com if you plan on attending.

Blue Dragon Children's Foundation is a non-profit organization in Vietnam committed to helping children in crisis. Each year, Blue Dragon assists approximately 1350 children, including street kids, child victims of trafficking, and the rural poor. Please visit Blue Dragon's website at www.streetkidsinvietnam.com for more information.

Moot Court Judges Needed



THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL of LAW
JAMES M. DOUGLAS: BOARD OF ADVOCATES

Greetings,

Please accept this correspondence as a cordial invitation to serve as a moot court judge for the Spring 2013 Moot Court Competitions sponsored by the Board of Advocates at the Thurgood Marshall School of Law.

The Board of Advocates Moot Court Program at the Thurgood Marshall School of Law is named after Dr. James M. Douglas, Executive Vice President and Distinguished Professor of Law at Thurgood Marshall School of Law. As Dr. Douglas has dedicated his life's work to excellence in education; the Board of Advocates is preparing law students for excellence in practice by laying the foundations for excellence through its advocacy skills competitions.

The Neal-Speedon 1L Moot Court competition will take place on **Friday, March 22, 2013 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM; Saturday March 23, 2013 from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM; and Monday, March 25, 2013 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM.**

The Henry Doyle 2L/3L Moot Court competition will take place on **Monday, March 25, 2013 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM; Tuesday, March 26, 2013 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM; and Wednesday, March 27, 2013 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM.**

We recognize that your time is limited and many demands are made of you, but if your schedule allows for you to accept this opportunity to help train and prepare our future lawyers, your service will be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Jacqueline Franklin at jacquelinefranklin@gmail.com or Rick Ramos at rickram87@yahoo.com to indicate your day(s) of availability and if your service will be as a competition round judge or if you would be interested in serving as a brief grading judge.

Parking will be provided at no expense to you as well as refreshments throughout the evening.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to your reply!

Respectfully,

Jacqueline Franklin
Judge Coordinator
jacquelinefranklin@gmail.com

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rickram87@yahoo.com

*Asian Pacific Interest Section
Seventeenth Annual Conference and Retreat*

*Held in conjunction with NAPABA Southwest Region
Conference*

**April 5-6, 2013
Austin, Texas**

The **APIS/NAPABA-SW Conference and Retreat** is just around the corner! We hope you can join us in Austin on April 5-6, 2013 for a fantastic combination of continuing legal education, professional network building, and relationship development with colleagues from across Texas, Colorado, Arizona, and Louisiana.

We are proud to announce that our keynote General Counsel dinner on Saturday, April 6, will feature **Ivan Fong**, General Counsel of 3M Company, and **Larry Tu**, General Counsel of Dell, Inc. **Wendy Shiba**, former General Counsel of KB Home and current NAPABA President will moderate. This is in addition to a full day of CLE on various topics including real estate finance, immigration, ethics, and more.

Information about being a sponsor of this unique event and for individual registration is below. Please note: (1) the individual **registration deadline** is **March 20, 2013** and (2) the **deadline for sponsors** to be included in our marketing materials is **March 20, 2013**.

Please contact Bill Richmond (brichmond@ghjhlaw.com) or Gina Shishima (gshishima@fulbright.com) with any questions or concerns. See you in Austin!



Asian Pacific Interest Section



State Bar of Texas

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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND RETREAT

PROUDLY HELD IN CONJUNCTION FOR THE FIRST TIME WITH THE



NAPABA
Southwest Region

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association

SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

April 5-6, 2013
Four Seasons Hotel
Austin, Texas



REGISTRATION, SPONSORSHIP, AND CONTACT INFORMATION ATTACHED

*** UPDATED AS OF FEBRUARY 25, 2013 ***



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APIS SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND RETREAT

IN PROUD CONJUNCTION WITH THE

NAPABA SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Friday, April 5, 2013:

- 5:00 – 6:00 pm** Asian Pacific American Bar Associations and Law Student Leadership Meeting (The Four Seasons) Meet with statewide leaders of Asian Bar and Asian Law Student organizations. Please email APIS Chair Bill Richmond at brichmond@ghjhlaw.com if you or your group would like to participate.
- 6:30 – 7:30 pm** APIS Retreat & CLE Welcome Social & Registration (Cedar Door) Kick-off the 17th Annual APIS/NAPABA Conference and Retreat by meeting and mingling with other APA lawyers, corporate counsel, and law students across Texas, Louisiana, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico. This will be an informal social at Cedar Door followed by our Family-Friendly Dinner event.
- 7:30 – 9:30 pm** Family-Friendly Dinner (Cedar Door)
Join us with your family at Cedar Door or for more information contact APIS Chair Elect Alice Cook at acook@piperturner.com.

Saturday, April 6, 2013:

Discounted Hotel Deadline: March 6
Registration Deadline: March 20

- 9:30 am – 10:00 am** Registration (Four Seasons)
- 10:00 am – 3:30 pm** CLE Conference (Four Seasons) – **5 hours CLE pending** (please register at least 20 minutes prior; includes lunch). Hear practical and informative CLE presented by leading attorneys from across the State. Lunch will begin at noon and feature a special presentation and brief awards ceremony.
- 7:00 – 9:30 pm** General Counsel Dinner Join us on Saturday night at Max's Wine Dive for a private panel presentation from distinguished General Counsels: Ivan Fong (3M Company) and Larry Tu (Dell Inc.), moderated by Wendy Shiba, current NAPABA President and former General Counsel of KB Home. Additional tickets for this event may be purchased for \$50 per adult.

JADE PACKAGE – ALL EVENTS

\$ 50.00	Law-students
\$ 75.00	In-House, Gov't. & Public Interest Attorneys
\$ 125.00	APIS/NAPABA Members
\$ 145.00	Non- Members

GOLD – CLE CONFERENCE ONLY

\$ 30.00	Law-student rate
\$ 55.00	In-House, Gov't. & Public Interest Attorneys
\$ 90.00	APIS/NAPABA Members
\$ 120.00	Non- Members

GC DINNER – SATURDAY EVENING SOCIAL ONLY

\$50 per person

2013 APIS membership fee (if not already remitted)

\$ 15.00 (annual; per person)

****Student Volunteers receive free admission to all events upon commitment to assist for at least one four hour session. For details about time frame and duties, please contact APIS Secretary Catherine Le for details:**

catherine@calfirm.com

Conference fees do not include lodging. Attendees may take advantage of discounted hotel rates of \$295.00 per room, per night (before taxes) at the conference site, Four Seasons. (<http://www.fourseasons.com/austin> or 512-685-8100; Code "NAPABA").

APIS also has a room block at the Radisson Hotel next to the Four Seasons at the discounted hotel rate of \$189.00 per room, per night (before taxes). You can make reservations online at <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/APIS>. Rooms at the Radisson must be booked by March 6, 2013. All reduced rates are subject to availability; please reserve as soon as possible to ensure reduced rates.

For questions or additional information, visit www.texasapis.org or contact:

Bill Richmond, APIS Chair. Phone: (314) 324-3242 | brichmond@ghjhlaw.com

Gina Shishima, NAPABA SW Region Governor. Phone (512) 536-3081 | gshishima@fulbright.com

2013 APIS/NAPABA SW REGION CONFERENCE AND RETREAT
INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FEES WORKSHEET

Name: _____ Telephone: (____) _____ - _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ State Bar No: _____

Law Firm/Company/School: _____ Email: _____

<u>Package</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u># of Tickets</u>	<u>Your Paymer</u>
ALL EVENTS on Friday and Saturday	\$145 General Attendee x	_____ =	_____
	\$125 APIS/NAPABA Members x	_____ =	_____
	\$75 In-house, Gov't, Public x	_____ =	_____
	\$50 Law Students x	_____ =	_____
<u>A la Carte Events</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u># of Tickets</u>	<u>Your Paymer</u>
CLE Conference Only (includes luncheon)	\$120 General Attendee x	_____ =	_____
	\$90 APIS/NAPABA Members x	_____ =	_____
	\$55 In-house, Gov't, Public x	_____ =	_____
	\$30 Law Students x	_____ =	_____
Saturday Evening General Counsel Dinner Only	\$50 per adult x	_____ =	_____
1-year APIS Membership	\$ 15	_____ =	_____
		Total Tickets	Total Paymer
Would you like to receive event alerts via text or email during the Retreat?		Yes _____	No _____

Please send registration form & payment by mail: State Bar of Texas, Attn: Sandra Carlson, P.O. Box 12487, Austin Texas 78711-2487 or **by fax:** 512-427-4102

Make checks payable to: State Bar of Texas Asian Pacific Interest Section

To pay by credit card (select): ____ Visa ____ MasterCard ____ AMEX ____ Discover

Credit Card No: _____ **Exp. Date** _____ **CSV #*:** _____

Name on Card (Please Print): _____

Signature: _____

DISCOUNTED HOTEL RATES DEADLINE IS MARCH 6, 2013!
REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 20, 2013!

*Three or four digit Security Code listed on Credit Card

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February 25, 2013

Re: Sponsorship of APIS/NAPABA SW Conference and Retreat

Dear Friend of APIS and NAPABA:

On behalf of the State Bar of Texas Asian Pacific Interest Section (APIS) and the Southwest Region of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA), we invite you to be a sponsor of the Seventeenth Annual APIS Conference and Retreat which will take place **April 5-6, 2013 in downtown Austin, Texas at the Four Seasons Hotel**. This event is being jointly hosted by APIS and the NAPABA Southwest Region.

Every year, Asian Pacific American (APA) attorneys and those interested in APA issues gather from across Texas at the APIS conference and retreat to develop and nurture valuable business and personal connections. This year's event includes an outstanding CLE program and numerous networking opportunities for sponsors and attendees. The CLE program will feature a special keynote dinner panel with a distinguished panel of General Counsels from the private sector: **Ivan Fong, General Counsel of 3M Company; Larry Tu, General Counsel of Dell Inc.; and moderator Wendy Shiba, former General Counsel of KB Home and current NAPABA President**. In addition, the annual Justice David Wellington Chew Award will be presented at the retreat to an exceptional individual who has significantly contributed to the APA community in Texas.

As a sponsor, you will be prominently recognized in multiple ways, including recognition in the *Texas Bar Journal*, the APIS list serve and the APIS website. Additionally, your company's logo will be displayed on slide shows, display boards and marketing materials at the conference and retreat. Our different sponsorship levels provide a variety of marketing and business development benefits for your organization. We are also in the process of finalizing the panels for the CLE program and would be happy to consider speaking opportunities for you or someone in your organization.

Our sponsorship levels can be found on the enclosed Sponsorship Form, which is due by **Wednesday, March 20, 2013**. Along with your company's completed Sponsorship Form and payment to: Sandra Carlson, State Bar of Texas Accounting, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487. Please submit your organization's logo and/or advertisement in high-resolution electronic format to: apisnapabaretreat@gmail.com (Subject Line: "Logo").

We hope that you will participate as a sponsor this year, and in doing so, make an important investment in the future of the APA legal community. We invite you to visit the APIS website for more information our organization and this year's retreat. Please feel free to contact us with any questions, and we look very forward to seeing you in Austin!

Best regards,

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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL APIS CONFERENCE AND RETREAT AND NAPABA SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE APRIL 5-6, 2013 | FOUR SEASONS HOTEL | AUSTIN, TEXAS

SPONSORSHIP FORM

**Deadline for Inclusion
in Advertising
Materials: March 20**

\$2,500 Platinum Sponsor

- Five Complimentary Passes to all events at the Conference & Retreat
- Full page, premium-placement advertisement in retreat program and headline recognition during CLE and Corporate Counsel Dinner
- Recognition as a Platinum Sponsor in the *Texas Bar Journal* and on the APIS website
- Recognition as a Platinum Sponsor to over 1,000 Asian American Attorneys in Texas, Arizona, Colorado, and Louisiana
- Use of firm/company logo in program materials, on the APIS website, and on signs displayed during the Conference

\$1,500 Diamond Sponsor

- Three Complimentary Passes to all events at the Conference & Retreat
- Full page advertisement in retreat program given to all Conference attendees
- Recognition as a Diamond Sponsor in the *Texas Bar Journal* and on the APIS website
- Recognition as a Diamond Sponsor to over 1,000 Asian American Attorneys in Texas, Arizona, Colorado, and Louisiana
- Use of firm/company logo in program materials, on the APIS website, and on signs displayed during the Conference

\$1,000 Gold Sponsor

- Two Complimentary Passes to all events at the Conference & Retreat
- One-half page advertisement in retreat program given to all Conference attendees
- Recognition as a Gold Sponsor in the *Texas Bar Journal* and on the APIS website
- Recognition as a Gold Sponsor to over 1,000 Asian American Attorneys in Texas, Arizona, Colorado, and Louisiana
- Use of firm/company logo in program materials, on the APIS website, and on signs displayed during the Conference

\$ 500 Silver Sponsor

- One Complimentary Pass to all events at the Conference & Retreat
- Half page advertisement in retreat program given to all Conference attendees
- Recognition as a Silver Sponsor in the *Texas Bar Journal* and on the APIS website
- Recognition as a Silver Sponsor to over 1,000 Asian American Attorneys in Texas, Arizona, Colorado, and Louisiana
- Use of firm/company logo in program materials, on the APIS website, and on signs displayed during the Conference

\$ 250 Bronze Sponsor

- Quarter page advertisement in retreat program given to all Conference attendees
- Recognition as a Bronze Sponsor in the *Texas Bar Journal* and on the APIS website
- Recognition as a Bronze Sponsor to over 1,000 Asian American Attorneys in Texas, Arizona, Colorado, and Louisiana
- Use of firm/company logo in program materials, on the APIS website, and on signs displayed during the Conference

\$ 150 Friend of APIS/NAPABA Sponsor

- Recognition in retreat program given to all Conference attendees
- Recognition as a Friend Sponsor in the *Texas Bar Journal* and on the APIS website
- Recognition as a Friend Sponsor to over 1,000 Asian American Attorneys in Texas, Arizona, Colorado, and Louisiana
- Use of firm/company logo in program materials, on the APIS website, and on signs displayed during the Conference

Law Firm/Company: _____ Contact Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Postal Code: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please Select Your Sponsorship Level: _____ Platinum _____ Diamond _____ Gold _____ Silver _____ Bronze _____ Friend of APIS

Circle Payment: _____ Check Enclosed _____ AMEX _____ MasterCard _____ VISA

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Please make checks payable to "Asian Pacific Interest Section, State Bar of Texas."

Remit Sponsorship Form and Payment to: Sandra Carlson, State Bar of Texas Accounting, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711-2487.

Remit Logo/Advertisement to: apisnapabaretreat@gmail.com (Subject Line: "Logo")

For additional information, visit www.texasapis.org or contact: Bill Richmond, Chair (214.855.6879; brichmond@ghjhlaw.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: ww.dri.org/About#awards

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.



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

WOMEN TO WATCH CAREER ADVANCEMENT & LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

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



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



Intellectual Property Law Section

State Bar of Texas

Women and Minority Scholarship

The Intellectual Property Law Section of the State Bar of Texas will award two \$5,000 scholarships, each to a woman and/or minority law student. Any woman or member of a recognized minority group, including but not limited to African Americans, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans who intends to practice IP law in the State of Texas, is eligible to apply. Applicants must be enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in Texas at the time the application is submitted. Thus, persons who have been accepted to law school but have not yet started classes at the time the application is submitted are ineligible. However, persons who have graduated at the time the scholarship is awarded are eligible.

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.



Intellectual Property Law Section State Bar of Texas

Women and Minority Scholarship Application

The Intellectual Property Law Section of the State Bar of Texas will award two \$5,000 scholarships, each to a woman and/or minority law student. Any woman or member of a recognized minority group, including but not limited to African Americans, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans who intends to practice IP law in the State of Texas, is eligible to apply. Applicants must be enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in Texas at the time the application is submitted. Thus, persons who have been accepted to law school but have not yet started classes at the time the application is filed are ineligible. However, persons who have graduated at the time the scholarship is awarded are eligible for the scholarship.

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.

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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Spring Fashion Show

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May 9, 2013

7:00pm

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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.

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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.

Fashion Show Committee

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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
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2013 Sponsorship Levels

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- *Logo on BPSOS-Houston website as Couture Sponsor*
- *Recognition in all 2013-2014 BPSOS publications and logo display at all BPSOS events*
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- *VIP table with ten free fashion show tickets with drink*
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☐ 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:

[Deputy Chief, United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, Housing and Civil Enforcement Section – Deadline: April 1](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of Texas – Deadline: March 26](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, District of Nevada – Deadline: March 26](#)

[Attorney, United States Department of Justice, National Security Division, Office of the Assistant Attorney General – Deadline: March 16](#)

[Trial Attorney, United States Department of Justice, Office of the Solicitor General – Deadline: March 25](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of California, Criminal Division – Deadline: March 22](#)

[Board Member, Board of Immigration Appeals, Executive Office for Immigration Review – Deadline: April 8](#)

If you would like to publicize job opportunities, community news, or personal SIDEBAR news, please contact AABA Secretary, Janine Yee, at jyee@porterhedges.com.

Job Opportunities

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice, Eastern District of Wisconsin – Deadline: March 22](#)

[Trial Attorney, United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Office of Special Counsel – Deadline: March 22](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of Iowa – Deadline: March 25](#)

[Attorney – Advisor, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Southeast Region, Consolidated Legal Center, Miami, FL – Deadline: March 19](#)

[Trial Attorney, United States Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Office of International Affairs, Washington, DC – Deadline: March 26](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Office – Deadline: March 19](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Middle District of Louisiana – Open Unit Filled](#)

[Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, Northern District of New York – Deadline: March 22](#)

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.

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Get to Know an AABA MEMBER!



Name: Adam Corral

Firm: Corral Tran Singh LLP

Practice Areas: Bankruptcy, General Counsel, Civil Litigation and Probate

If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . working in the Texas Legislature like I did before going to law school.

The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . pickled lamb's tongue (delicious!).

In my spare time, I enjoy . . . attempting to play golf.

If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . "Too Stubborn to Fail".

In my opinion, the best restaurant in Houston is . . . Del Frisco's for their double eagle steak and Reef for the Pork Chop.

The coolest store in Houston is . . . Spec's in Midtown.

The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . The Oakland Raiders.

My favorite decade for music is the 90s, and my favorite song is. . . California Love.

My favorite quote is . . . "[F]ool me once, shame on – shame on you. Fool me – you can't get fooled again." – George W. Bush

I recommend reading . . . umm...A Song of Ice and Fire (let me know how it is).

Most AABA members probably don't know that I . . . enjoy cooking.

Get to Know an AABA MEMBER!



Name: Catherine Anh Thi Le

Firm: Law Firm of Catherine Le, PLLC

Practice Areas: Civil Litigation, Business and Real Estate Law, Mass Torts Litigation

If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . a Rodeo rider.

The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . fried silk worms in garlic butter sauce.

In my spare time, I enjoy . . . riding horses.

If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . "Untitled" – in pre-production. Screenwriters wanted.

In my opinion, the best restaurant in Houston is . . . one that always has fresh seafood.

The coolest store in Houston is . . . Home Goods.

The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . the Houston Texas, Houston Rockets and Indiana Hoosiers.

My decade for music is the 2000's and my favorite song is . . . "Get Your Shine On".

My favorite quote is . . . "Neither fire nor wind, birth nor death can erase our good deeds."
- Buddha

I recommend reading . . . about subjects of which you know little and as much as possible.

Most AABA members probably don't know that I . . . own a horse.

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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!

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

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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
☐ Solo and Small Firm ☐ Corporate Counsel ☐ Mentorship/Law School Relations

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