

The Asian American Bar Association (AABA) of Houston is a voluntary organization of lawyers of Asian heritage or who have Asian American interests, dedicated to promoting diversity within the legal profession and Houston community.

AABA CLE PROGRAM “GOING IN-HOUSE”

On April 29, 2010, the AABA of Houston held its third CLE program of the year entitled “Going In-House”. Special thanks to panelists Paul Chung, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Targa Resources, Inc., Sherry L. Scott, Counsel at Exxon Mobil Corporation, and Anita Arnold, Managing Director of Gibson Arnold & Associates, Inc. Special thanks to Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP for hosting and sponsoring this event and special thanks to AABA Vice President of Programs, Helene Dang, for organizing this successful seminar.



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AABA CLE PROGRAM "GOING IN-HOUSE" *continued*



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**AABA CLE PROGRAM
“GOING IN-HOUSE”
*continued***



AABA HAPPY HOUR AT CRAVE SUSHI

On April 20, 2010, AABA members and friends gathered at Crave Sushi in Midtown to catch up and enjoy good food and company. Special thanks to AABA Social Committee Co-Chairs, Eunice Song and Claire Le, for organizing this fun event.



**In celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage month,
the AABA and the Asian American Bar Foundation
are pleased to invite you to**

DIM SUM WITH THE JUDICIARY

Saturday, May 15 at 10:30 am

**Fung's Kitchen
7320 Southwest Freeway**

All members of the judiciary attend for free, but please register in advance with Catherine Than at cthan@bickerstaff.com.

Admission for AABA Members and Non-Members is \$30 per person, or you may make a comparable donation to the AABF at the door.



All proceeds benefit the Asian American Bar Foundation (AABF).

This event is generously underwritten by The Lanier Law Firm.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to meet and mingle with members of the local judiciary in a festive Dim Sum atmosphere.

Please register to attend at www.aabahouston.com.

MULTI-BAR ASSOCIATION JOINT NETWORKING RECEPTION AND MIXER



PORTER & HEDGES LLP

and the

**Asian American Bar Association of Houston
Hispanic Bar Association of Houston
Houston Lawyers Association
Mexican American Bar Association of Houston**

*Invite You to Attend a Joint Reception
Celebrating Diversity in Our Legal Community*

*Tuesday, June 15, 2010
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.*

*Porter & Hedges, L.L.P.
1000 Main Street
36th Floor*

RSVP to rsvp@porterhedges.com

Complimentary Parking Validation at McKinney Place Garage

This reception is open to licensed Attorney Members only.

At the request of the sponsoring bar associations,
we kindly ask that no campaign materials be distributed at this event.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Attorneys: to attend this event, please rsvp via email at rsvp@porterhedges.com.

Hope to see you there!

Call for nominations of the:

2010 IMPACT AWARD

**Nominations are now being taken for
the 2010 Impact Award
which will be
presented at the
2010 AABA Gala & Silent Auction.**

**The deadline for nominations is
May 12, 2010.**

**Please submit any nominations to AABA
President, Joyce Kao Soliman,
at JSoliman@porterhedges.com.**

**SAVE
THE DATE
9.17.2010**

**2010 AABA GALA &
SILENT AUCTION**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2010
OMNI HOTEL RIVERWAY**

For more information,
please contact AABA
Gala Co-Chairs,
Todd Chen &
Aaron Woo at
aaba.gala@gmail.com.

May 1, 2010

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Asian American Bar Association of Houston (AABA) cordially invites you and your company to attend and underwrite our **Annual Gala & Silent Auction**, which will be held at the Omni Hotel in Houston, Texas on Friday, September 17, 2010.

The AABA was founded in 1984 by a handful of Asian American attorneys in Houston. Over twenty-five years later, the AABA celebrates a flourishing and diverse membership that represents a broad spectrum of the Houston legal community. This year's Gala will honor a deserving recipient of the AABA Impact Award, which is presented to an individual who has made significant contributions to the growth and development of the Asian American legal community in Houston. We will also hear inspiring words from a keynote speaker representing the government or corporate sector. Past keynote speakers include former Houston Mayor Bill White, Larry Tu, General Counsel of Dell, Inc., and Tommy Shi, Chief Diversity Officer of Mercedes-Benz USA, among other notable and accomplished persons.

We are expecting several hundred corporate, legal and civic leaders from the greater Houston area and around the country to join us for this special evening. The Gala & Silent Auction will feature a cocktail reception, charitable silent auction and seated dinner.

In keeping with tradition, the AABA will donate a substantial portion of the proceeds from its Gala & Silent Auction to the Asian American Bar Foundation (AABF), whose mission is to advance the participation of Asian Pacific Americans in all areas of legal practice, thereby promoting diversity in the legal community and improving access to justice for all Houstonians.

Enclosed is information on becoming an underwriter. Your generous support of this year's Gala & Silent Auction will help fund scholarships, grants and programs in furtherance of the AABF's mission.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to diversity in our community. We look forward to seeing you on September 17th.

Todd E. Chen
Co-Chair, Gala Committee
Thompson & Knight LLP

Aaron Woo
Co-Chair, Gala Committee
Phillips & Reiter PLLC



ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON 2010 GALA & SILENT AUCTION

PLATINUM DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$7,500

and Underwriter of the AABA 2010 Corporate Counsel Dinner

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
 - ◆ Four tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
 - ◆ Full page color advertisement in the printed Gala program
 - ◆ Logo display in the printed Gala program
 - ◆ Special mention and prominent logo display during the Gala dinner
 - ◆ Logo on the AABA website as a Platinum Dragon Underwriter
 - ◆ Underwriter recognition in all 2010-2011 AABA monthly newsletters
- Recognition as an Underwriter of the AABA 2010 Corporate Counsel Dinner**
Four tickets to attend the AABA 2010 Corporate Counsel Dinner

GOLD DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$5,000

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
- ◆ Four tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
- ◆ Logo display in the printed Gala program
- ◆ Special mention and prominent logo display during the Gala dinner
- ◆ Logo on the AABA website as a Gold Dragon Underwriter
- ◆ Underwriter recognition in all 2011-2012 AABA monthly newsletters

SILVER DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$3,000

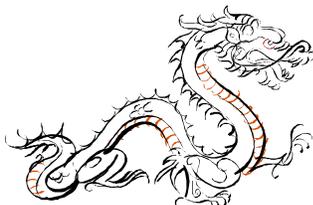
- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table
- ◆ Special mention during the Gala dinner and slideshow

BRONZE DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$1,500

- ◆ Four tickets to the Gala
- ◆ Special mention during the Gala dinner

All Underwriters for the Gala & Silent Auction are also named in the Gala program and in the Gala slideshow presentation, listed on the AABA website as an underwriter of the Gala, and included in all printed promotional materials for the Gala.

We sincerely appreciate your support!





**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON
2010 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**September 17, 2010
Omni Hotel • Four Riverway • Houston, Texas 77056**

Underwriter Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Facsimile: _____

E-mail: _____

Please select your level of underwriting*:

_____ **\$7,500 Platinum Dragon Underwriter**

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*The AABA of Houston is a tax-exempt organization. However, contributions or gifts to the AABA of Houston are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

Please return your completed form and check made payable to "AABA of Houston"
by no later than **July 20, 2010** to:

**Todd E. Chen
Thompson & Knight LLP
333 Clay Street, Suite 3300
Houston, TX 77002**

*Questions? Feel free to contact us at aaba.gala@gmail.com
Thank you for your interest and support.*



**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON
2010 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**September 17, 2010
Omni Hotel • Four Riverway • Houston, Texas 77056**

If you or your company are interested in purchasing an advertisement in the 2010 Gala & Silent Auction printed program, please complete the form below.

THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE AND SUBMIT AN ADVERTISEMENT IS JULY 30, 2010.

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Name of Advertiser: _____

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- You will receive a confirmation of your sponsorship via email.
- Advertisement content may be sent via e-mail.
- Questions? Please contact us at aaba.gala@gmail.com.



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2010 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

Advertisement Format Instructions

- PDF (portable document format) or TIFF (tagged image file format) files are requested for all advertisement submissions.
- Color advertisement files should be created using CMYK (cyan-magenta-yellow-black).
- Preferred document format/application is Adobe Illustrator or Adobe Photoshop.

Size	Width	Depth
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Half Page horizontal	8-1/2"	5-1/2"
Quarter Page	4-1/4"	5-1/2"

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BY NOT LATER THAN JULY 30, 2010**

TO: aaba.gala@gmail.com

or by submitting the digital file on a CD and mailing it to:

Questions? Please call Todd Chen, Gala Co-Chair, at ph. 713-951-5883.



**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON
2010 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**September 17, 2010 • Reception & Silent Auction at 6:30 pm • Dinner at 7:30 pm
Omni Hotel • Four Riverway • Houston, Texas 77056**

TICKET RESERVATION FORM

Tickets may be purchased on-line using GoogleCheckout at www.aabahouston.com.
If paying by check, please use this form.

THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE TICKETS IS SEPTEMBER 8, 2010.

Name: _____

Company/Law School: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please indicate the number of tickets below:

Law Student: \$50 _____ / AABA Member: \$100 _____ / Non-Member: \$125 _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$ _____

For nametag purposes, please list the name and affiliation (if any) of each attendee:

Please indicate whether a vegetarian meal is requested: _____ (# of vegetarian meals)

Please return this form and your check made payable to "AABA of Houston" to:

**Todd E. Chen
Thompson & Knight LLP
333 Clay Street, Suite 3300
Houston, TX 77002**

- You will receive a confirmation of your ticket reservation via email.
- Interested in joining the AABA? Membership forms are available at www.aabahouston.com.
- Questions? Please contact us at aaba.gala@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.

Did you thrive in law school?

Did you enjoy writing that seminar paper or law review note?

Did you love clerking for a judge?

Is writing briefs in appellate cases your idea of fun?

If so, law teaching may be a perfect career choice for you.

At the University of Houston Law Center, we are actively seeking to cultivate relationships with a diverse group of talented lawyers who think they might like to enter law teaching. Let us help you decide whether law teaching is right for you and teach you the ropes of entering the legal academy.

If you think you want to be a law professor, those who know what it takes will tell you how on **Saturday, May 22, in a two-hour workshop** at the University of Houston Law Center. **Profs. Aaron Bruhl and Sapna Kumar** will outline the qualifications and qualities that law schools seek in prospective faculty as well as the protocols and deadlines that govern the application process. **The session runs from 10 a.m. to noon in Room 109 BLB. Please RSVP to briefcase@uh.edu.**

Please contact Professor Sandra Guerra Thompson at SGThompson@uh.central.edu with any questions.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

NAPABA Policy Associate/Policy Director

The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) seeks a Policy Associate or Policy Director (depending on the candidate's experience) to serve in its Washington D.C. office. The position works with NAPABA's Executive Director, Board of Governors, committees, and affiliates to promote diversity in the legal profession and to advocate for justice, equity, and opportunity for Asian Pacific Americans. The position reports directly to the Executive Director to carry out the policy work of the organization.

Responsibilities:

- Research and analyze issues related to diversity in the legal profession and issues affecting the Asian Pacific American community. Analyze state and federal legislation. Participate in NAPABA's efforts to support Asian Pacific American federal judicial nominees. Monitor cases and other legal developments that impact the Asian Pacific American community. Develop recommendations on policy positions and assist in the formulation of NAPABA's policy agenda. Write internal memoranda to the Executive Director, Board of Governors, and committees on a range of legal and policy issues. Provide strategic advice to the Executive Director about policy issues. Draft press releases and talking points. Follow up on media inquiries. Represent NAPABA at meetings with congressional staff, advocacy organizations, and other stakeholders. Work collaboratively with committee chairs and other leadership to coordinate policy work. Some travel and evening/weekend work required.

Qualifications:

- Excellent writing abilities & research skills.
- Ability to communicate effectively in writing and in person to a variety of audiences, including NAPABA members, congressional staff, and the media.
- Ability to work under pressure and tight deadlines in a fast-paced environment.
- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to work well on a team.
- Knowledge of the policy-making process.
- Ability to think strategically and provide leadership in problem solving.
- Experience working successfully on legal, policy, or legislative initiatives.
- Knowledge of issues affecting the Asian Pacific American community.
- Understanding of and commitment to NAPABA's mission and goals.
- Bachelor's degree required; law degree with admission to at least one state bar preferred.
- For the Policy Director position, a minimum of two years of related experience, which may include legislative or advocacy work.
- For the Policy Director position, experience developing and implementing communications strategies, including message development and managing media relations.

To Apply: Interested candidates should send a cover letter explaining your interest in the position, a resume, two writing samples, and a list of three references to:

Tina Matsuoka
Executive Director
National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
1612 K St. NW, Suite 1400
Washington, DC 20006
tmatsuoka@napaba.org

Email is the preferred form of application submission. The position will remain open until filled. Salary is commensurate with experience. Benefits include health and dental insurance.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



...Advancing Equality^{*} The Asian American Justice Center

Director of Programs - Asian American Justice Center

Summary: The Director of Programs reports directly to the Executive Director or to her designee to ensure that the program work of the organization is carried out in a competent, efficient, and organized fashion. This work includes facilitating and directing the work of the staff attorneys and other program staff. The Director of Programs also provides input on the organization's strategic planning, fundraising, public education and media relations work. The Director works closely on a day-to-day basis with other senior management level staff.

Major Job Duties and Responsibilities: Supervise AAJC Program Staff and Develop Coherent Programming Consistent with AAJC Strategic Goals. Coordinate Program Staff Effectively with other AAJC Units, Management and Staff. Serve as Part of AAJC's Senior Management Team. Strengthen Relationships with Affiliates, Community Partners to Forward AAJC Programmatic Goals.

Qualifications: Must have strong supervisory skills and experience with proven ability to manage and mentor junior staff as well as the ability to plan, organize, and direct a comprehensive program. Must also have experience in working successfully in partnership with affiliates and coalition partners. Position requires a broad range of skills including knowledge of litigation, legislative processes, personnel management, program development, planning and decision-making. Knowledge of Asian Pacific American community and civil and human rights issues covered by AAJC is a plus. Excellent communication and writing skills is also required. Experience and interest in public speaking is a plus. Must have initiative and the ability to exercise good judgment. The position demands a thorough understanding of and commitment to the mission and goals of the organization.

Education: Law degree, with admission to at least one state bar.

Experience: At least 7 years post-law school working experience in a legal environment at least 2 years of which will have been related to Asian American or civil rights issues. Experience must have been progressively more supervisory with administrative responsibility culminating in at least 3 years of overall management of an office or substantial unit.

To Apply: Interested applicants are encouraged to submit a cover letter explaining your interest, resume, and a short writing sample via email to: [hiring@advancingequality.org](mailto: hiring@advancingequality.org)

Email is preferred; however, applications can also be sent to:

Hiring Director
Asian American Justice Center
1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20036

- Phone calls not accepted -

Deadline: Open Until Filled

Salary: Competitive salary commensurate with experience, plus full health and dental benefits.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES (cont'd)

The Department of Justice Civil Rights Division

Hiring in Upcoming Months

The Department of Justice Civil Rights Division has received a substantial increase in its budget and will be engaged in significant new hiring in the upcoming months. The DOJ is especially looking to increase its applicant pool of highly qualified lawyers with a commitment to and experience in civil rights.

To see a current list of job openings, please visit:

<http://www.justice.gov/crt/recruit.php>.

If you would like to receive automated job alerts for a federal job, you can establish an account with USAJobs (www.usajobs.gov) and can target certain jobs, e.g., DOJ civil rights jobs, by selecting criteria for receipt of job announcements. USAJobs will automatically send you announcements if you meet those criteria.



MAY 1

APAAH MONTH KICKOFF, 6pm, Galleria II street level, (Ann Taylor) : A parade featuring Lion dancers with drummers, flags representing the various Asian countries, An Asian traditional dress fashion show and dances by Indians, Filipinos and Chinese dancers

MAY 7

18th Anniversary Gala, Omni Hotel, 6pm : Theme "A Night on Broadway". Honorees: Baayork Lee, Norma Benzon, Fiesta Mart, Inc. and Chinese Cultural Center

MAY 22

2010 APAAH Month May Festival! Discovery Green, 12pm - 8pm, FREE EVENT! : Children's Area, Face and Henna Painting, Dunking Booth, Performances all day. Houston's own Soaring Phoenix Dragon, Lion Dance Association at 1:30pm, National Taiwan University of Arts Da - Giam Dance Troupe USA tour stop at 2:00pm. Headliners: Makaha Sons at 7pm, Community, Booth Networking opportunities. Booth Requests and info: Shehla@apaha.org

MAY 23

APAAH/NAAP Audition Master Workshop
 Taught by Steven Eng, Founder, National Asian Artists Project 2pm-9pm, Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway, Houston, TX 77019

MAY 26

Extraordinary Art Exhibit, featuring local Asian Artists and Asian themed Art at the Art Institute of Houston • Exhibit May 24 - July 9
 Reception 5:30-7:30pm, 1900 Yorktown Street, Houston, TX 77056-4197

For more info on APAAH month contact Shehla Zakaullah
Shehla@apaha.org or direct 713.784.1112 • Online: www.apaha.org
 APAAH's mission is to promote Asian American and Pacific Islander achievements, culture and heritage

OUR COUNTRY, OUR WORLD IN A "POST-RACIAL" ERA



THIRD NATIONAL PEOPLE OF COLOR LEGAL SCHOLARSHIP CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 9-12, 2010
SETON HALL UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
http://law.shu.edu/about/news_events/thirdnationalpoc/

How to Enter the Legal Academy: Pipeline Program

Thinking about becoming a law professor?

The Pipeline Program at the National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference is an opportunity to learn the inside information necessary to join the legal academic community!

All interested parties are invited to attend a four-hour "boot camp" program featuring panel discussions about entering law school teaching as a person of color.

Date: Thursday, September 9, 2010. Time: 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Topics covered will include:

- ❖ **How to Gain a Position:** Self-marketing, CVs, Callbacks, Job Talks
- ❖ **Placement:** The "Meet Market," FAR forms and Interviewing Advice
- ❖ **Entrée Strategies:** Fellowships, Clerkships, Visiting Assistant Professorships
- ❖ **Writing for the Academy:** Turning law school papers into articles, research agendas
- ❖ **Advice for Late Bloomers:** Entering the academic market later in your career

All parties interested in attending this event should register at the above website while space is available. Registration fee is \$20. Lunch will be provided.

****Attendee rates increase after July 10, 2010****

Questions? Contact Professor *andré douglas pond cummings*: andre-cummings@uiowa.edu

Many thanks to our 2009-2010 Major Underwriters:

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*** SIDEBAR ***

Congratulations to Phillina Lai on her new in-house position at Sysco Corporation. She will be joining Sysco as Director and Senior Attorney of Commercial Contracts and Sales. Congratulations, Phillina!

If you would like to publicize job opportunities, community news, or personal SIDEBAR news, please contact AABA President-Elect, Audrey Chang, at changa@gtlaw.com.

Get to Know Your AABA Leaders!



Name: Helene Dang

**AABA Position:
Vice President of Programs**

Firm: FosterQuan, LLP

Practice Areas: Immigration

1. If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . an entrepreneur.
2. My favorite (or fantasy) vacation is . . .a European tour from Spain all the way through Greece.
3. In my spare time, I enjoy . . .playing with my two kids, Maylena and Jacob.
4. My favorite movies are . . . The Usual Suspects, Forrest Gump, and Finding Nemo (didn't expect that one, did you?)
5. The best restaurants in Houston are . . . Que Huong, Hao Hao, Shiv Sagar and Americas.
6. My favorite places in Houston are . . . the Museum District, Houston Zoo and Rice University area – great for biking and strolling with the kids.
7. The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . any team that happens to be on TV at the moment.
8. If I won the lottery, I would . . . start a non-profit after I finish traveling the world.
9. I recommend reading . . . any Nicholas Sparks novel for a short, sappy, no-brainer read.
10. Most AABA members probably don't know that I . . . was born in Maine and named by my parents' sponsors, the then-governor of Maine, James Longley and his wife, Helen.
11. You forgot to ask me about . . . my job as a manicurist before law school.

****** Stay tuned for next month's Newsletter where you will get to know more about another 2010 Director or Officer!******

Get to Know an AABA Member!



Name: Phillina Lai

Company: Sysco Corporation

Title: Director and Senior Attorney of Commercial Sales

1. If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . the host of Tasty Travels or Unwrapped on the Food Network. It would combine my love for food and travel!
2. My favorite vacation was . . .my trip to Morocco. The country had everything I look for in a vacation – hospitality, food, scenery, interesting culture and great shopping.
3. In my spare time, I enjoy . . . spending time with my husband and running around/keeping up with my 9 month old twins, Cameron and Madelyn.
4. In my iPod (or other mp3 device) you will find . . . 80s music, children's songs, and Spanish-language lessons.
5. My most recent favorite movie is. . . Funny People (with Adam Sandler). Movie had me laughing, crying and everything in between, definitely worth watching.
6. My favorite place in Houston is . . . Costco! With twins, everything must be purchased in bulk!
7. The sports team I root for is . . . the Dynamos. Not only are soccer games exciting to watch, but the fans can be hilarious too!
8. If I won the lottery, I would . . . pay off my loans, take my family on a nice vacation, throw my parents a 40th anniversary party, put aside money for the twins' college education and then ask my husband to invest the rest the best he knows how (financial investing is more "his thing").
9. I recommend reading . . . Eat, Pray, Love and her second novel, Committed. Both books contain interesting thoughts on life, love and happiness.
10. Most AABA members probably don't know that I . . . enjoy scrapbooking and making video slideshows. I love walking through memory lane and having an easy format to show my pictures (and if I didn't scrapbook, the pictures would never get seen). I LOVE the software program on animoto.com, makes video scrapbooking so easy – check it out!
11. You forgot to ask me about . . . my new job. I will be joining the legal department at Sysco Corporation as a Director and Senior Attorney of Commercial Sales. I'm really excited about this new opportunity and look forward to joining a great group of people.

**** Stay tuned for next month's Newsletter where you will get to know more about another AABA member!****

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN... RENEW YOUR AABA MEMBERSHIP!

The AABA is accepting membership applications and renewals for 2010. You may apply for membership online at www.aabahouston.com or by completing and submitting the attached form and dues.

The AABA welcomes the following new and renewing members!

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").

Jerry Hu, *Clark, Dean, Burnett G.P.*

Melissa Gambliq, *Baker Botts L.L.P.*

Christopher Le, *Thurgood Marshall School of Law 2011*

Earvin Isaac Chionglo, *University of Houston Law Center*

Kavita Bhalla, *St. Mary's University School of Law 2011*

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