

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.

### 2009 AABA / HVLP / VN TEAMWORK WILLS CLINIC

On Saturday, May 16, 2009, the AABA, Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program, and VN Teamwork co-hosted the annual Wills Clinic at the Golden Bamboo Village Apartments. A dedicated team of volunteers drafted estate planning documents for over 75 residents of the local Vietnamese-American community. Special thanks to the incredible folks at VN Teamwork and HVLP and AABA VP of Community Relations Alison Chen for their hard work in organizing the event as well as AABA volunteers David Chang, Sunisha Choksi, David Hsu, Warren Huang, Monica Hwang, Lynn Kramer, David Kuo, Christopher Lee, Lam Nguyen, Simon Nguyen, Joyce Soliman, Catherine Than, Tom Tran, An Phong Vo, Mary Vu, and Sean Yan!



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# BREAKFAST WITH THE GENERAL COUNSEL SERIES

The AABA is pleased to announce the second installment of our Breakfast with the General Counsel Series.

This month's keynote speaker will be:

**Richard A. Zansitis**  
**General Counsel of**  
**Rice University**

**Thursday, June 18, 2009**  
**8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.**

Junior League of Houston  
1811 Briar Oaks Lane  
Houston, Texas 77027

Admission is free for AABA members,  
and \$10 for non-AABA members.

Breakfast will be provided.

RSVP online at [www.aabahouston.com](http://www.aabahouston.com) or to  
AABA Vice President of Programs Judy Liu at  
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## AABA APA SUMMER ASSOCIATE RECEPTION

The AABA invites you to meet and welcome the Asian Pacific American law students clerking in Houston this summer!

**Zake Sushi Lounge**  
**2946 S. Shepherd (at W. Alabama)**  
**Houston, Texas 77098**

**June 24, 2009**  
**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Attendance is free for AABA members and \$10 for non-AABA members.

RSVP online at [www.aabahouston.com](http://www.aabahouston.com) or to AABA Social Committee Co-Chair Cindy Lin at [clin@curtis.com](mailto:clin@curtis.com)





## AABA CLE: "HOW TO START YOUR OWN LAW FIRM"

On Tuesday, May 19, 2009, the AABA held its third CLE program of the year entitled "How to Start Your Own Law Firm." Guest speakers Jane Nguyen of Nguyen, Jazrawi & Chen, PLLC, Russell Wong of Wong Cabello, and John Nechman of Katine & Nechman LLP generously shared their experiences and advice on how to start and grow a successful law practice. Special thanks to Jane, Russell, and John for speaking, to AABA VP of Programs Judy Liu for organizing this informative seminar, and to AABA Mentorship and Law School Relations Committee Co-Chair David Hsu for stepping in as staff photographer!



# **AABA** *of Houston* Celebrating 25 Years

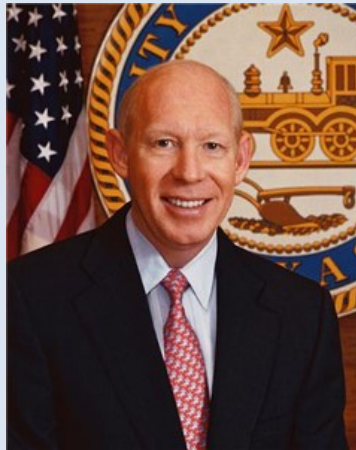
## **25th Anniversary Gala & Silent Auction**

The AABA is excited to be celebrating its 25th anniversary this year! The 2009 AABA Gala & Silent Auction will highlight this important milestone and celebrate the tremendous growth that the Asian legal community and the AABA has enjoyed in Houston.

**Friday, August 28, 2009**  
**InterContinental Hotel**

**6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.:**      **Reception and Silent Auction**

**7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.:**      **Keynote Speech by Houston Mayor Bill White,  
Dinner, and 25th Anniversary Presentation**



### UNDERWRITERS AND SPONSORS\*

**Platinum Dragon**  
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Underwriting, advertising, and ticket order forms are attached on the following pages.

For more information about the Gala, please contact our Gala Co-Chairs  
Alice Huang and Miranda-Lin Bailey at [aaba.gala@gmail.com](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com).

\* As of June 1, 2009



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## **ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON 2009 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

### **PLATINUM DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$7,500**

**and Underwriter of the AABA 2009 Corporate Counsel Dinner**

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, VIP seating, reserved table with underwriter placard
- ◆ Four tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
- ◆ Full page color advertisement 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 2009-2010 AABA monthly newsletters

**Recognition as an Underwriter of the AABA 2009 Corporate Counsel Dinner**

**Four tickets to attend the Corporate Counsel Dinner**

### **GOLD DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$5,000**

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, preferred seating, and reserved table with underwriter placard
- ◆ Two 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 2009-2010 AABA monthly newsletters

### **SILVER DRAGON UNDERWRITER - \$3,000**

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala and a reserved table
- ◆ Special recognition 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!*



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**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON  
2009 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

August 28, 2009

InterContinental Hotel, Houston, TX

**Keynote Speaker: Honorable Bill White  
Mayor of the City of Houston**

Underwriter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please select your level of underwriting\*:

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

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\_\_\_\_\_ **\$3,000 Silver Dragon Underwriter**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$1,500 Bronze Dragon Underwriter**

\*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 15, 2009** to:

Miranda-Lin S. Bailey, Gala Co-Chair  
Exxon Mobil Corporation  
Law Department - CORP-EMB-1729E  
800 Bell Street  
Houston, Texas 77002

*Questions? Feel free to contact us at [aaba.gala@gmail.com](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com) / We sincerely appreciate your support!*



# **AABA** *of Houston* *Celebrating 25 Years*

## **ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON 2009 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**Friday, August 28, 2009**  
**InterContinental Hotel • 2222 W. Loop - South • Houston, TX 77027**

If you are interested in purchasing an advertising sponsorship for our 2009 Gala program, please complete the form below. The deadline to purchase and submit advertisement is **July 24, 2009**.

### **ADVERTISING SPONSORSHIP FORM**

Advertising Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please select your level of sponsorship:

\_\_\_\_\_ Quarter page (4" x 5") black & white advertisement (\$250.00)

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**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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Houston, TX 77002

- 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](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com).





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**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON  
2009 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.

<b>Size</b>	<b>Width</b>	<b>Depth</b>
Full Page	8-1/2"	11"
Half Page horizontal	8-1/2"	5-1/2"
Quarter Page	4-1/4"	5-1/2"

**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR AD AS A DIGITAL FILE  
BY NOT LATER THAN JULY 24, 2009**

**TO: [aaba.gala@gmail.com](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com)**

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Houston, TX 77002

*Questions? Please call Miranda-Lin S. Bailey at 713-656-2072. Thank you!*



# AABA *of Houston*

## *Celebrating 25 Years*

**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON  
2009 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**Keynote Speaker: Mayor Bill White**  
Mayor of the City of Houston

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**TICKET RESERVATION FORM**

*Deadline to reserve tickets is August 17, 2009.*

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:

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Law Department - CORP-EMB-1729E  
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- You will receive a confirmation of your ticket reservation via email.
- Interested in joining the AABA? Membership forms are available at [www.aabahouston.com](http://www.aabahouston.com).
- Questions? Please contact us at [aaba.gala@gmail.com](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com). Thank you for your support!

## LeadershipSBOT NOMINATIONS FOR 2009-2010



The State Bar of Texas and Texas Young Lawyers Association are looking for 20 Texas lawyers to participate in LeadershipSBOT. This diversity initiative is designed to recruit, train, and retain Texas lawyers for leadership positions in the legal community and the State Bar of Texas.

Program participants will be selected to reflect the cultural, ethnic, geographic, and practice area diversity of the state. It is not designed to compete with bar association and local affiliate leadership academies but to complement those exceptional programs.

Take a minute to think about lawyers in your area who might benefit from participating in LeadershipSBOT. Those selected for LeadershipSBOT will be:

- Current members of the State Bar of Texas
- Individuals who aspire to lead and have the demonstrated potential to become leaders
- Individuals who have a goal to serve their communities and the profession and are committed to a profession and judiciary that reflect the diversity of the state
- Individuals willing to commit sufficient time to attend two sessions of LeadershipSBOT plus the 2010 State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting.
- Individuals willing to make an additional year commitment of service within the organized bar (the individual will have a variety of options for service presented throughout the sessions).

Participants will examine what is expected of leaders and receive guidance and advice from current leaders on appropriate activities in which to be engaged in to be effective in the profession and respected in the community.

Nomination forms for LeadershipSBOT 2009-2010 should be submitted by July 1, 2009. Once your nomination is received, we will follow up with that individual to ascertain their interest and commitment in participating. We encourage you to nominate an attorney who has not previously participated in a bar association or local affiliate leadership academy. Self-nominations will also be accepted.

Thank you so much for helping us assure that Texas lawyers remain committed to the importance of the organized bar, professionalism, and community service. It is our goal that this program and others like it lead to a legal community in Texas that reflects the demographics of the state.



# LeadershipSBOT Nomination Form

State Bar of Texas  
1414 Colorado Street  
Austin, Texas 78701  
Phone: (800) 204-2222, x1538  
Fax: (512) 427-4100  
www.texasbar.com

## Nominee

Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
City, State Zip:	
E-mail:	
Phone:	

## Nominated By

Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
City, State Zip:	
E-mail:	
Phone:	

**Please describe why you are nominating this person, including community or bar involvement, type of diversity represented (racial, ethnic, gender, geographic, practice area, etc.) (Use additional paper if necessary.) We encourage you to nominate an attorney who has not previously participated in a bar association or local affiliate leadership academy.**

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*Please return this form by July 1, 2009, to ensure that your nominee(s) receive full consideration. Mail, e-mail (cdelagarza@texasbar.com), or fax (512.427.4100) your nomination to the State Bar of Texas, c/o Cristina De La Garza. Those selected for LeadershipSBOT will receive a packet informing them of their selection and asking them to commit to attending two two-day sessions and the 2010 annual meeting during the coming bar year. They will also be required to commit to serving on a State Bar/TYLA/or related-entity committee/board the year following the academy. For more information, contact Kelley Jones King at kking@texasbar.com.*



# OPPORTUNITIES

## **In House Patent Attorney - Chemical - Houston, Texas**

An international leader in oil and gas seeks an experienced patent attorney who can hit the ground running and assist with a busy chemical patent department. Successful hire will spend a few months in a heavy preparation and prosecution role in order to get to know the technologies and then would be given a business unit to manage. This attorney will work with a collegial team of 20+ attorneys with a wide variety of experience - ranging from one year to 15 years of experience. Work will vary and includes client counseling, agreement work, confidentiality, opinion work, preparation and prosecution, and portfolio management. Chemistry and chemical engineering backgrounds with 6 to 12 years of experience are well suited for this role. For confidential consideration, please email [lcherry@lucasgroup.com](mailto:lcherry@lucasgroup.com).

## **In House Patent Agent - Houston, Texas**

Join a dynamic team of patent agents with a leading energy company that finds, produces, refines, markets and ultimately supplies energy resources to individuals and businesses worldwide. As a member of the IP Services Team, this patent agent will be involved with more than simply preparation and prosecution. Responsibilities include invention record patentability searches, portfolio management, and freedom to operate analysis as well as other special projects. The team is made up of four agents, reporting to an attorney who serves as the lead counsel. This position supports upstream, down hole and general mechanical technologies. For confidential consideration, please email [lcherry@lucasgroup.com](mailto:lcherry@lucasgroup.com).

## **Vietnamese Associate Attorney, Paralegal or Law Clerk – Houston, Texas**

A Houston litigation firm is seeking a FLUENT (in both speaking and writing) Vietnamese Associate Attorney, Paralegal or law clerk. Candidates must have 2 to 5 years relevant work experience and experience interacting with clients. Trial experience is preferred. Salary is \$80,000/yr. For more information or to apply, go to [http://jobview.monster.com/GetJob.aspx?JobID=79447758&aid=34664578&WT.mc\\_n=JSAHG10](http://jobview.monster.com/GetJob.aspx?JobID=79447758&aid=34664578&WT.mc_n=JSAHG10)

## **ABA COMMISSION ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC DIVERSITY IN THE PROFESSION**

The ABA Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Profession is a diverse group of committed lawyers that, through its work and programs, is the catalyst for creating leadership and economic opportunities for racially and ethnically diverse lawyers within the ABA and the legal profession. We provide a voice to surface and tackle issues of discrimination, racism and bigotry, and to inspire the ABA and the profession to value differences, to be sensitive to prejudice, and to reflect the society they serve.

The Commission is accepting nominations for its 2010 Spirit of Excellence Awards. Nomination guidelines and form are located at [www.abanet.org/minorities](http://www.abanet.org/minorities). The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, July 15, 2009.



## COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

### **June 4, 2009 / HBA MOILP Summer Associates Luncheon, The Houston Club, Houston, Texas**

The HBA Minority Opportunities in the Legal Profession Committee will host the 11th Annual Summer Associates Luncheon on Thursday, June 4, 2009 at The Houston Club. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. and the luncheon begins at 11:30. A. Martin Wickliff of Epstein Becker Green Wickliff & Hall, PC will moderate a panel discussion on "Achieving Diversity During Challenging Times." The luncheon also will feature a tribute to the late Judge Andrew Jefferson. The luncheon is open to all attorneys and summer clerks with any law firm or legal department. Tickets are \$50 each. Tables of eight are available for \$400 and tables of 10 are available for \$500. Ticket order forms are available at [www.hba.org](http://www.hba.org) or contact Lindsay Hammond at 713-759-1133 or [lindsayh@hba.org](mailto:lindsayh@hba.org).

### **June 10, 2009 / APAHA Asian Comedy Night at the Improv, Marq\*E, Houston, Texas**

Join the APAHA for Asian Comedy Night at the Improv, in the MARQ\*E Center, 7620 Katy Freeway. I-10@Silber. Featuring Tushar Singh, Steve Byrne and Paul Varghese. Tickets are \$25 for APAHA members / \$30 for non-members. Tickets include Complimentary Buffet from 6-7 p.m. For tickets or for information, call 713-333-8800 or visit [www.improv.com](http://www.improv.com).

### **June 10 – 13, 2009 / HBA Night Court: Legal Fairy Tales, Wortham Center, Houston, Texas**

Tickets for the HBA's 2009 Night Court are now on sale. Ticket prices are \$21 for the Wednesday preview performance, \$29 for the Thursday, Friday and Saturday night performances and \$15 for the Saturday matinee. The evening shows start at 8 p.m. and the Saturday Matinee is at 2 p.m. This year features three promotions: Wednesday, June 10 is "Fairy Tale Mug Night" with audience members receiving a free commemorative mug; Thursday, June 11 is "Buy 3 Get 1 Free Night;" and the Saturday matinee is the Dress Like a Fairy Tale Character Matinee for any audience members who want to invent their own story lines. For tickets, go to [www.hba.org](http://www.hba.org).

### **June 25, 2009 / Asia Society: Meet the Author Simon S.C. Tay – "Obama's Asian Report Card"**

Asia Society will host a luncheon presentation given by Simon S.C. Tay, Chairman, Singapore Institute of International Affairs. Mr. Tay is a world-renowned lawyer, political advisor, and environmental policy expert. His topic will be "Obama's Asia Report Card." 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 811 Rusk, #700. \$40 for general admission; \$30 for Asia Society members; and \$300 for tables of 10. For more information, please go to [www.asiasociety.org/texas](http://www.asiasociety.org/texas) or call 713-439-0265.

### **July 15, 2009 / HMSDC 2009 MBE Business Executive Scholarship Luncheon, Hilton Americas, Houston, Texas**

On July 15, 2009, the Houston Minority Supplier Development Council (HMSDC) will present its **2009 MBE Business Executive Scholarship Networking Luncheon** awarding scholarships to qualified and actively-involved certified MBEs to attend their choice of educational programs approved by the Council's Scholarship Committee. These scholarships are made possible through the sponsorships raised during HMSDC's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Sports Classic recently held in League City, TX. These scholarships are designed to enable and encourage MBES to pursue courses of study that represent a direct importance to their next stage of business development.

Back by popular demand will be the **MBE Showcase** prior to and after the luncheon. The Showcase provides an excellent forum where minority-owned businesses can showcase their products and services, discover potential business opportunities and increase their customer base.

HMSDC will also have the **Professional Services Spotlight**. By spotlighting professional services firms, you will become aware of the quality minority firms that are available to provide your company excellent services; such as, legal, consulting, engineering, technology, accounting and much, much more. The CEOs representing professional services will be easily recognizable throughout the luncheon. You will also be able to meet them individually during the One-to-One afternoon sessions.

You are encouraged to register early at [www.hmbc.org](http://www.hmbc.org). You do not want to miss one minute of this action-packed day filled with excellent networking, exposure to quality MBE products and services and the best in MBE professional services.

### **July 18, 2009 / Hoang Nguyen Foundation Poker Night, Houston, Texas**

The Hoang Nguyen Foundation is dedicated to Hai Nguyen's father who passed away in April 2002 of cancer. Hai has been working with the Vietnamese Culture and Science Association ([www.VCSA.org](http://www.VCSA.org)), a non-profit association that helps young Vietnamese-Americans develop excellence in education and leadership skills through culture and science. The Hoang Nguyen Foundation will have a fundraising Poker Night on July 18, 2009. All proceeds will go to VCSA to help raise money to maintain tutors for the VCSA's after-school program. Individuals may purchase tables for the Texas Hold'em Tournament for \$50, \$100 or \$500. Corporate sponsorships are also available. For more information, please contact Hai Nguyen at [hai@elite-martial-arts.com](mailto:hai@elite-martial-arts.com).



Harris County District Clerk  
**LOREN JACKSON**

# We are pleased to announce

# e-Filing Campaign 2009

**Join us for an e-Filing presentation.**

**Time:** 9 a. m. - 4 p.m.

**Date:** July 21, 2009

**Location:** Harris County Civil Courthouse, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor

Presentation times are at 10:00-11:30; 12:30-2 and 2:30-4.

*RSVP* with your preferred presentation time to:

[Michael.Lykes@hcdistrictclerk.com](mailto:Michael.Lykes@hcdistrictclerk.com)

There will be limited seating for each session

**Refreshments will be served!**

## Onsite e-Filing Vendors:



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ONE LEGAL  
ONLINE COURT SERVICES

proDOC®  
*Click... Click, Documents Done!*

**CLE Training provided by**



One hour of credit will be earned.



## Get to Know an AABA Member!



**John A. Nechman**  
***Katine & Nechman, L.L.P.***

**If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . .** a travel writer with a generous expense account.

**My favorite (or fantasy) vacation is . . .** the next space shuttle to the international space station (on earth, Istanbul is my favorite city other than Houston)

**The best dessert (or other food) in the world is . . .** chicken fried steak with cream gravy and a slab of Texas BBQ brisket on top

**In my spare time, I enjoy . . .** driving in and around Houston/Galveston and discovering great cheap places to eat

**In my iPod (or other mp3 device) you will find . . .** Latin, Brazilian, and Latin jazz (Eddie Palmieri is a fave!)

**My favorite movies are . . .** foreign flicks and silly, sweet romances (does anyone remember "A Little Romance?" It's probably my favorite)

**The best restaurant in Houston is . . .** América's (upscale) and Lankford Grocery (NOT upscale!)

**My favorite place in Houston is . . .** the Rothko Chapel

**The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . .** all Houston teams and the UT Longhorns (Hook 'em, Horns!)

**If I won the lottery, I would . . .** provide a ton more support to the many incredible organizations in Houston that work to improve the lives of our immigrant communities

**I recommend reading . . .** *Houston, It's Worth It* ([www.houstonitsworthit.com](http://www.houstonitsworthit.com))

**Most AABA members probably don't know that . . .** I speak several foreign languages better than my native Korean

**You forgot to ask me about . . .** my life partner of 13 years, Ricardo, who inspires me and so many more every day through his award-winning work as a bilingual elementary school teacher.

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

### **Hanh Pham**

*Law Offices of Daskhini R. Sen P.C.*

### **Tan Pham**

*Baker & McKenzie LLP*

### **Susan Tran**

*Thurgood Marshall School of Law*

### **John Truong**

*South Texas College of Law.*

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! You may apply for membership on-line at [www.aabahouston.com](http://www.aabahouston.com) or by completing and submitting the attached form and dues.



**If you would like to publicize job opportunities, community news, or personal SIDEBAR news, please contact AABA Secretary Sherry Scott at [sscott1812@live.com](mailto:sscott1812@live.com).**



Asian American Bar Association of Houston
2009 Membership Application/Renewal

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