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On Wednesday, November 13, 2013, the AABA held its 9th annual Corporate Counsel Dinner at RDG + Bar Annie. Special thanks to guest speaker Peggy Chang Barber, Assistant General Counsel, Global Sales Strategy, Hewlett-Packard Company, for her thoughtful insight. Many thanks to the event underwriters Latham & Watkins and Gardere Wynne Sewell. Thanks also to Corporate Counsel Committee Co-Chairs Janet Brown, Juvie Cruz, and Chris Lee for organizing this great event.



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***Congratulations to Alison Chen who was recently named as
a partner at Andrews Kurth LLP!***

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***Congratulations
to Chris Lee
on his recent transition to
Superior Energy Services, Inc.!***

Get to Know an AABA MEMBER!



Name: Rea K. Ferandez

Firm/Company: Norton Rose Fulbright

Practice Areas of Interest: Labor and Employment

If I weren't an attorney, I'd try to be . . . a movie producer.

The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . Balut, which is a Filipino delicacy.

In my spare time, I enjoy . . . reading, watching movies, and piloxing/yoga.

If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . "Ever Learning."

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

The coolest store in Houston . . . Lush.

The sports team(s) I root for is . . . UT Longhorns and Houston Texans.

My favorite decade for music is the _____, and my favorite song is . . . No decade in particular, but I love country music.

My favorite quote is . . . "If you own this story, you get to write the ending." – Brene Brown

I recommend reading . . . "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn.

Most AABA members probably don't know that . . . I am addicted to Teahouse's Vietnamese Coffee with tapioca pearls.

Get to Know an AABA MEMBER!



Name: Gary K. Shiu

Firm: Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP

Practice Areas: Energy, Environmental and Commodities

If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . a *barrister*.

The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . roasted squab brains.

In my spare time, I enjoy . . . spending time with my wife and daughter, cycling, reading, and listening to music.

If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . "Sweating the Small Stuff."

In my opinion, the best restaurant in Houston is . . . Don Pico's in Pearland and Hong Kong Café in Chinatown.

The coolest store in Houston is . . . without question, the UT University Co-op.

The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . Texas Longhorns, Houston Texans, Houston Rockets and the Houston Dynamos.

My favorite decade for music is the early and middle 1980's, and my favorite song is . . . "Another Day in Paradise".

My favorite quote is . . . one that can save me \$\$ on car/home insurance.

I recommend reading . . . "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren.

Most AABA members probably don't know that . . . I surf.

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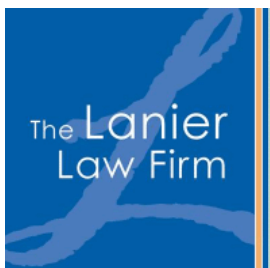
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If you haven't already applied for membership to the AABA, then you are missing out on all the benefits of membership. Members of the AABA receive significant discounts to all AABA events, as well as invitations to exclusive members-only seminars and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

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

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

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