Founded in 1984, the AABA’s membership reflects all aspects of Houston’s Asian-Pacific legal community, whose mission is to promote the professional development of its members and to serve the Houston community at large.

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A Night on the Town

On June 26, 2015, AABA members enjoyed a casual night out, starting with dinner at Dosi Restaurant, followed by entertainment and singing at Spotlight Karaoke. Many thanks to the Social Committee for organizing the event!
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Summer Networking Reception

On July 22, 2015, the AABA hosted an evening of networking activities, including small group discussions and speed networking. The event was open to all practitioners and held at McCormick & Schmick’s Seafood & Steaks. A special thanks to the Solo & Small Firm Committee for coordinating the event.
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Don’t forget to Renew your AABA membership!

The AABA is accepting membership applications and renewals for 2015!

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

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

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

The AABA welcomes the following new members!

Vy (Tina) Huynh
Jennifer Lin
David Nguyen
Frederick Wen
Sean Yan
Mi-Hui (Minnie) Tsai
Asian American Bar Association of Houston
2015 Membership Application/Renewal

$50  General Member
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By completing this membership application, I hereby consent to the receipt of notice of meeting through electronic means.

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☐ Gala  ☐ Fundraising  ☐ Programs  ☐ Social/Networking  ☐ Community Relations/Pro Bono
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Make checks payable to AABA and submit application and fee to:

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P.O. Box 1554
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Send any inquiries concerning AABA membership to membership@aabahouston.com.
31st Anniversary Gala & Silent Auction

The AABA is excited to celebrate its 31st anniversary with you this year! The 2015 AABA Gala & Silent Auction will commemorate this achievement and celebrate the growth that the Asian legal community and the AABA has enjoyed in Houston

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2015

JW MARRIOTT HOUSTON DOWNTOWN

6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.: Reception and Silent Auction
7:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.: Dinner & Keynote Speech by Lee Cheng; 2015 Impact Award Recipient Alexander C. Chae

AABA is proud to announce its 2015 Gala keynote speaker will be Lee Cheng, Chief Legal Officer, SVP of Corporate Development and Corporate Secretary of Newegg Inc., the largest privately held e-commerce company in North America. Mr. Cheng has been recognized as one of America’s 50 Outstanding General Counsel by the National Law Journal, Best Lawyers Under 40 by NAPABA, and most recently received the In-House Impact Award from leading legal publisher The Recorder. In addition to having been interviewed by major news outlets like the Wall Street Journal and New York Times, Mr. Cheng has been invited to testify before U.S. Congressional committees, the U.S. International Trade Commission, and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission.

For more information about the Gala, please contact our Gala Co-Chairs Julie Pi Evans, Caroline Cho, Jennifer Park, & Susan Tran at aaba.gala@gmail.com.
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Asian American Bar Association of Houston (AABA) cordially invites you and your company to attend and underwrite our Gala & Silent Auction, which will be held at the JW Marriott Houston Downtown on Friday, September 18, 2015. The Gala is the organization’s flagship event of the year and attracts over 400 guests and celebrates the extraordinary diversity of our city and state.

We are honored and pleased to announce that the keynote speaker for this year’s Gala is Lee Cheng, Chief Legal Officer, SVP of Corporate Development and Corporate Secretary of Newegg, Inc. The AABA will also present its 2015 Impact Award to Alexander C. Chae, Partner at Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP.

Founded in 1984, the AABA is Texas’ largest organization of lawyers advocating for Asian-Pacific American concerns, representing the interests of nearly 1,000 attorneys in the Greater Houston area. In keeping with tradition, the AABA will donate a portion of the proceeds from its Gala & Silent Auction to its charitable affiliate organization, the Asian American Bar Foundation (AABF), whose mission is to advance the participation of Asian-Pacific Americans in all areas of legal practice, seeking to promote diversity in the legal community and to improve access to justice for all Texans.

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 AABA’s and the AABF’s missions.

Thank you for your consideration and continued commitment to diversity in our community. We look forward to seeing you at the Gala.

Sincerely,

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June 18, 2015
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We sincerely appreciate your support!
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**Houston "Save the Date" Networking Reception**

**Date and Time**
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5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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