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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AABA Gives Back: Wills Clinic

Through the annual Wills Clinic on June 13, 2015, volunteer attorneys, notaries, translators, and witnesses from Houston Volunteer Lawyers, VN Teamwork, and the AABA assisted 20 clients with estate planning packages. A big thank you to the more than forty volunteers and Boat People SOS that made this year’s Wills Clinic a success!
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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,

Caroline Cho
Co-Chair, Gala Committee
Rapfogel Law Firm PLLC

Jennifer Park
Co-Chair, Gala Committee
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June 18, 2015
DIAMOND DRAGON UNDERWRITER - $10,000
♦ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
♦ Six tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
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♦ Recognition as an Underwriter of the AABA 2015 Corporate Counsel Dinner
♦ Six tickets to attend the AABA 2015 Corporate Counsel Dinner

PLATINUM DRAGON UNDERWRITER - $7,500
♦ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
♦ Four tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
♦ Half page black & white advertisement in the printed Gala program
♦ Underwriter recognition in AABA monthly newsletters for 1 year
♦ Recognition as an Underwriter of the AABA 2015 Corporate Counsel Dinner
♦ Four tickets to attend the AABA 2015 Corporate Counsel Dinner

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♦ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
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♦ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table
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BRONZE DRAGON UNDERWRITER - $2,000
♦ Four tickets to the Gala
♦ Special mention during Gala and inclusion in Gala printed materials*

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♦ Two tickets to the Gala
♦ Quarter page black and white advertisement in the printed Gala program

*All Underwriters for the Gala & Silent Auction will (1) receive special mention during the Gala dinner, (2) be named in the Gala slideshow presentation, and (3) be included in all printed promotional materials for the Gala including programs and invitations.

We sincerely appreciate your support!
ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON
2015 GALA & SILENT AUCTION

JW Marriott Houston Downtown ♦ September 18, 2015

CORPORATE AND FIRM UNDERWRITER FORM

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Please select your level of underwriting*:

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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 August 7, 2015 to:

Caroline Cho at Rapfogel Law Firm PLLC, 4200 Montrose Blvd., Suite 430, Houston, Texas 77006

Questions? Feel free to contact us at aaba.gala@gmail.com
Thank you for your interest and support.
If you or your company are interested in purchasing an advertisement in the 2015 Gala & Silent Auction printed program, please complete the form below.

**THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE AND SUBMIT AN ADVERTISEMENT IS AUGUST 7, 2015.**

**PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENT FORM**

Name of Advertiser: ____________________________

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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.

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Thank you for your interest and support.
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TICKET RESERVATION FORM

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

THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE TICKETS IS SEPTEMBER 3, 2015.

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: $125  ♦  Non-Member: $150

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: $____________

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

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

Please return your completed form and check made payable to “AABA of Houston”
by no later than September 3, 2015 to:

Caroline Cho at Rapfogel Law Firm PLLC, 4200 Montrose Blvd., Suite 430,
Houston, Texas 77006

- You will receive a confirmation of your ticket reservation via email.
- Questions? Please contact us at aaba.gala@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.
Meet an AABA Member

Name: Zack S. Huang
Firm/Company: Zack Huang Legal Services, PLLC
Practice Areas: Taxation, Immigration, Civil Litigation

1. If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . a novelist . . . hey, may still retire to Tuscany and do that some day.

2. The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . food cooked by GF’s mom . . . no wait, that was the “best” food I’ve ever eaten.

3. In my spare time, I enjoy . . . thinking about maybe perhaps taking up archery, at some point, if the last Hunger Games movie is good.

4. If my life were a movie, it would be called . . . How to Creatively Make Life a Little Less Boring.

5. In my opinion, the best restaurant in Houston is . . . a restaurant that actually manages to really impress me.

6. The coolest store in Houston is . . . American A/C Supply, so cool it’s practically freezing.

7. The sports team(s) I root for is/are . . . Saints! Nawlins baby, always!

8. My favorite decade for music is the 2010’s, and my favorite song is . . . that whatchamacallit song by Rihanna/Taylor Swift/Beyonce/Katy Perry/Ariana Grande, or was it that other song by AG/KP/Queen Bey/T-Swift/RiRi?

9. My favorite quote is . . . “Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground.” (Theodore Roosevelt)

10. I recommend reading . . . anything other than 50 Shades of Grey.

11. Most AABA members probably don’t know that . . . back in the day, I ran the best Gala of the year. Well, maybe I’m being immodest, maybe the second best.
Many thanks to our 2014 Major Underwriters!

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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!

Laverne Chang
Philip Lau
Jing Tong
Insook Voight
## 2015 Membership Application/Renewal

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11. **Law School and Graduation Year**
12. **Language(s) Spoken**

**Would you like to receive the AABA Newsletter by E-Mail?**
- Yes [ ]
- No [ ]

**Would you like your business contact information published in the 2015 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 [ ]
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- Community Relations/Pro Bono [ ]
- Solo and Small Firm [ ]
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- Mentorship/Law School Relations [ ]

Make checks payable to AABA and submit application and fee to:

**AABA**
**ATTN: Membership**
**P.O. Box 1554**
**Houston, TX 77251**

Send any inquiries concerning AABA membership to membership@aabahouston.com.

*Transitional attorneys refer to those attorneys currently not employed.
AABF Pro Bono Scholarship Fall 2015
Scholarship Application Guidelines

The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. (the “AABF”) seeks to award a scholarship to an individual (the “Recipient”) who will further their legal education and training while primarily being exposed to the pro bono programs and legal practice at Houston Volunteer Lawyers (“HVL”) which generally “educate and serve Asian American lawyers and communities in the greater Houston and surrounding areas” in accordance with the mission of the AABF. The Recipient’s education and training will be supervised by HVL, mainly under the direction of Tyrone Lin and Alissa Rubin Gomez, in a manner that serves the foregoing primary purpose.

The Recipient is expected to further his/her legal education and training during a ten week period (to occur during the fall semester of 2015) to commence no earlier than August 10, 2015 and to end not later than November 27, 2015 at HVL. The Recipient is expected to devote his/her part-time efforts to further his/her legal education and training at HVL, equivalent to not less than 10 hours per week.

The Recipient will receive a $4,000.00 award (payable in two equal installments on dates to be determined). The Recipient shall deliver a report to the AABF summarizing his/her scholarship activities and how the grant was used to further the Recipient’s legal education and training. The award is to be used for the Recipient’s law school tuition and fees, books, supplies, and equipment for law school courses.

The Recipient must be enrolled as a full time law student at an American Bar Association accredited law school. Preference shall first be given to those qualified full time law students enrolled at an ABA accredited law school in the greater Houston area.

All applications must be submitted to the AABF in care of Joyce Kao Soliman at the address below by not later than July 25, 2015 via U.S. Certified Mail/Return Receipt Requested or via email in PDF format with reply confirmation that the application has been received. If sending your application material via email, you must include “AABF PRO BONO SCHOLARSHIP” in the subject line and please send a follow-up email if you do not receive a reply confirmation within 24 hours.

Each Applicant should submit an application package / curriculum vitae containing the following information to the Scholarship Committee:

1. Name of applicant
2. Contact information (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address)
3. Name of school
4. School address and contact information for registrar’s office
5. Degree sought
6. Expected graduation date
7. Copy of transcript, GPA and class rank (if available) or other proof of enrollment at an accredited law school
8. Educational background
9. Course work at current or previous schools relevant to AABF’s purposes listed above
10. Employment history (if any)
11. Employment experience relevant to AABF’s purposes listed above or demonstrating applicant’s commitment to public service
12. Community and volunteer experience relevant to AABF’s purposes listed above or demonstrating applicant’s commitment to public service
13. Independent research or publications relevant to AABF’s purposes listed above or demonstrating applicant’s commitment to public service
14. Awards, honors, scholarships received
15. Other activities, hobbies, skills, positions held in any organizations, etc.
16. Any other information that applicant desires to provide to assist in the application process
17. Cover letter stating interest in the scholarship and proposed dates for serving the ten week period at HVL
18. Name and contact information of at least one professional or educational reference of the applicant (please do not provide more than three references)

Scholarship applicants are advised to use these application guidelines as a reference and checklist to ensure that all necessary information is provided with the original application package. The Scholarship Committee may contact applicants if additional information is required, but the Scholarship Committee reserves the right to disqualify application packages from consideration if key information is not included. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right in its discretion to select more than one Recipient, to select only one Recipient, or to decline making the award.

Application packages must be postmarked no later than July 25, 2015, and mailed via U.S. Certified Mail/Return Receipt Requested to the following address or sent by email in PDF format with reply confirmation that the application has been received. If sending your application material via email, you must include “AABF PRO BONO SCHOLARSHIP” in the subject line, and please send a follow-up email if you do not receive a reply confirmation within 24 hours.

Joyce Kao Soliman
Porter Hedges LLP
1000 Main Street, 36th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002
jsoliman@porterhedges.com and with a copy by email to: c Ethan@bickerstaff.com

For additional information, please contact Catherine Than (ph. 713.984.9997) or Joyce Kao Soliman (ph.713-226-6685).
The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. seeks to award up to 2 community organization grants to Texas-based charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations whose pursuits will impact the Greater Houston Metropolitan Area by (1) expanding the scope of legal services available to the Asian American community; (2) increasing the number of Asian Americans working as lawyers or in legal services; (3) educating members of the Asian American community of their civil and legal rights; (4) stimulating legal discourse by and/or about Asian Americans, the Asian American cultures and Asian American communities; or (5) otherwise promoting the interests of Asian Americans.

The 2015 AABF Community Organization Grant is a grant of up to $5,000 to a charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that fulfills the aims described in the preceding paragraph. The foregoing criteria may be weighed in any order as determined by the AABF. Applicant organizations must be charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations incorporated or formed under the laws of the State of Texas and/or otherwise demonstrate a substantial connection to the greater Houston metropolitan area. Applicant organizations should submit application packages containing the following information to the Scholarship/Grant Committee:

1. Name of applicant organization
2. Contact information (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address) of applicant organization and representative of applicant organization
3. Proof of 501(c)(3) status of the organization
4. Copy of the mission statement (or, if no official mission statement exists, a statement of the primary purpose) of the applicant organization and information and materials about the applicant organization sufficient for the Scholarship/Grant Committee to understand the purpose of and activities conducted by the applicant organization
5. Information regarding a few recent events held by the applicant organization, if any
6. Description of and information relating to the program or event for which the grant funds are to be applied (the more detail, the better). Please keep in mind that the AABF cannot fund programs or activities that are not in keeping with its mission; therefore, program and activity descriptions should be detailed enough for the AABF to discern whether it is within the AABF’s mission or guidelines.
7. Any other information that applicant organization desires to provide to assist in the application process

8. Cover letter stating how a community organization grant will help the applicant organization to achieve AABF’s purposes listed above and serve the public interest

The grant recipient will receive an award of up to $5,000 and a ticket for one of its representatives to attend the Asian American Bar Association of Houston’s annual gala, to be held September 19, 2015 (date may change), where the grant will be presented. The grant recipient is required to submit a final report no later than thirty (30) days after completion of the program or event that is supported by the grant funds explaining how the grant funds were used and the results of the program or event. Failure to provide the report may jeopardize future grants to the recipient organization.

Applicant organizations are advised to use these application guidelines as a reference and checklist to ensure that all necessary information is provided with the original application package. The AABF Scholarship/Grant Committee may contact applicants if additional information is required, but the Scholarship/Grant Committee reserves the right to disqualify application packages from consideration if key information is not included. The AABF reserves the right to subdivide the grants or increase the number of grants in its sole discretion.

Application packages must be postmarked no later than August 4, 2015, and mailed to the following address:

Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship/Grant Committee
P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252

Grant applications may also be submitted via email to Catherine Than at cthan@bickerstaff.com before August 4, 2015.
The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. seeks to award 1-3 grants to Asian Pacific American Law Student Association groups of accredited law schools located in the greater Houston metropolitan area.

The 2015 APALSA Grant is a one-time grant, for the Fall 2015/Spring 2016 academic year in the amount of up to $1,000 depending on need. Grants will be given to 1-3 APALSA groups selected by the AABF taking into account the financial need of the specific APALSA group and the nature of the activities or programs for which support is being requested, which programs have to be consistent with the AABF’s goals of (1) expanding the scope of legal services available to the Asian American community; (2) increasing the number of Asian Americans working as lawyers or in legal services; (3) educating members of the Asian American community of their civil and legal rights; (4) stimulating legal discourse by and/or about Asian Americans, the Asian American cultures and Asian American communities; or (5) otherwise promoting the interests of Asian Americans. The foregoing criteria may be weighed in any order as determined by the AABF. Applicant APALSA groups should submit application packages containing the following information to the Scholarship/Grant Committee:

1. Name of applicant APALSA organization
2. Contact information (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address)
3. Name of school
4. School address and contact information for registrar’s office
5. Information about APALSA, including estimated size and types of programs
6. Projected budget for Fall 2015/Spring 2016 Academic Year, including projected expenses and sources of income
7. Budget from previous Fall 2014/Spring 2015 Academic Year
8. Description (including estimated cost) of programs or activities for which support is being requested (with emphasis on how they satisfy some or all of the foregoing criteria). Please keep in mind that the AABF cannot fund programs or activities that are not in keeping with its mission; therefore, program and activity descriptions should be detailed enough for the AABF to discern whether it is within the AABF’s mission or guidelines.
9. Any other information that applicant desires to provide to assist in the application process
10. Cover letter stating how a grant to the applicant will achieve AABF’s purposes listed above

The grant recipient will receive a one-time grant of up to $1,000. The grant recipient is required to submit a final report regarding the programs or activities for which the grant is awarded no later than thirty (30) days after the last of such programs or activities is held or explaining how the grant funds were used and the results of the program or event. Failure to provide the report may jeopardize future grants to the recipient organization.

Grant applicants are advised to use these application guidelines as a reference and checklist to ensure that all necessary information is provided with the original application package. The AABF Scholarship/Grant Committee may contact applicants if additional information is required, but the Scholarship/Grant Committee reserves the right to disqualify application packages from consideration if key information is not included. The AABF reserves the right to subdivide the grants or increase the number of grants in its sole discretion.

Application packages must be postmarked no later than August 31, 2015, and mailed to the following address:

Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship/Grant Committee
P.O. Box 1351
Houston, Texas 77252

Grant applications may also be submitted via electronic mail to Catherine Than at cthan@bickerstaff.com.
The friendly competition challenges teams of talented chefs to prepare their own versions of the Vietnamese bánh mì. Judges selected the Judge’s winner based on originality, taste and presentation. A people’s choice winner took home the Bánh Mì Trophy.

Close to 300 attendees turned out to sample creative bánh mì sandwiches created by 11 Houston-area chefs and restaurants, many of whom were competing for the first time. 4 local judges were invited to be part of the fun along with several vendors who helped make the event more memorable.

The first Great Bánh Mi Cook-Off was a huge success due to the help and support of our volunteers and sponsors with proceeds going towards BPSOS-Houston’s various programs.

### Contestants

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### Judges Panel

- **Renia Butler**
  - Local Food Blogger
- **Lily Jang**
  - KHOU 11 Morning Anchor
- **Greg Morago**
  - Food Editor, Houston Chronicle
- **Mai Pham**
  - Food, Wine & Travel Writer

### Vendors

- **97.9 The Box**
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