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### Wills Clinic

The AABA held its annual Wills Clinic in collaboration with Houston Volunteer Lawyers and VN Teamwork on June 24, 2017. The clinic benefitted underprivileged members of the Asian American community in Houston, and volunteer attorneys prepared wills, powers of attorney, and other estate planning documents for 29 clients. Will execution ceremonies were conducted at VN Teamwork's offices on the morning of June 24. Through the collaborative effort of numerous volunteer attorneys, interpreters, and witnesses, documents for all clients were legally executed. Thank you to all who donated their time to this effort, and to VP of Community Relations Nickie Tran for organizing the event.



### Mock Interview Workshop

On June 23, participants of the AABA's mentorship program and other law students from Houston area law schools participated in a round table discussion about strategies and tips for law firm interviews. Phil Lau of Locke Lord LLP and Alison Chen of Akin Gump LLP led the discussion, which was held at the University of Houston Law Center. Law students were able apply their learnings from the workshop to use almost immediately, as preparation for on-campus interviews began in July. Many thanks to the AABA's Law School and Mentorship Relations Committee for making this event happen.

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## Dinner Social

On June 15, AABA members gathered for a casual dinner social event at Kitchen 713 restaurant. Attendees enjoyed good company and Kitchen 713's critically-acclaimed Southern-inspired cuisine. Thanks to the AABA Social Committee for organizing the dinner.



## AABA Project Blueprint Grant Application

Are you interested in becoming a leader on a nonprofit organization or municipal board or committee? Project Blueprint is a 10-week program of the United Way of Greater Houston designed to prepare emerging and current leaders of diverse backgrounds for leadership roles on nonprofit and public sector boards and committees.

Applications for the 2018 Project Blueprint Program are available on the United Way's Project Blueprint Page. The AABA is awarding a **\$500 grant** to one member candidate to participate in the program, which will be applied toward Project Blueprint's enrollment fee. Details can be found in the attached grant application. **The deadline to apply is Tuesday, October 10, 2017.**

## AABA Upcoming Events

- **Summer Happy Hour**  
Thursday, July 20, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
Peli Peli Houston Galleria, 5085 Westheimer Road
- **Houston Volunteer Lawyers Saturday Clinic**  
Saturday, August 5, 9:00 AM -12:00 PM  
Southwest Multi-Service Center, 6400 High Star, Houston
- **AABA Annual Gala and Silent Auction**  
Friday, September 15, 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM  
Royal Sonesta Houston Galleria, 2222 West Loop S.

## AABF Community Grants and Student Scholarships— Applications are Open!

The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston is seeking applicants for its 2017 community organization grants and law student scholarships.

### AABF Community Organization Grant

Up to **\$5,000 award** to a charitable non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that 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.

### AABF Pro Bono Scholarship

Up to **\$4,000 award** to a currently enrolled law student. Recipient is expected to further his/her legal education and training by Houston Volunteer Lawyers (HVL) during a ten week period to be completed by the end of the fall semester of 2017. 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.

### Honorable Herbert W. Gee Memorial Scholarship

Up to **\$3,000 award** to a currently enrolled law student who best embodies the spirit of the late Judge Gee who (1) was dedicated to serving the public, (2) supported the Asian American community in the greater Houston area, and (3) exemplified intelligence, generosity and leadership in his everyday life.

Application forms can be found at the end of the newsletter. **Completed applications must be postmarked no later than August 18, 2017.** All grant and scholarship recipients will be honored at the 2017 AABA Gala & Silent Auction.

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## *Get to Know an AABA Member!*

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Name: **Andrew Chongseh Kim**  
Firm/Company: **Beck Redden, LLP**  
Practice Area(s): **Commercial Litigation,  
White Collar**

1. If I weren't an attorney, I would be . . . back where I was a year ago, teaching millennials everything they need to know about drug dealing and murder. (I was a crim law professor).
2. In my spare time, I enjoy . . . capoeira angola.
3. In my opinion, the best restaurant/bar in Houston is . . . Captain Tom's, a dozen oysters for \$8 and damn good gumbo.
4. The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . kombucha. I just don't get it.
5. The coolest store in Houston is . . . Bedrock City
6. My favorite TV show is . . . Firefly, maybe Walking Dead, what can I say, I'm a geek.
7. My favorite music artist is . . . maybe Underworld?
8. My favorite quote is . . . "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I took the road less traveled by and they CANCELLED MY FRIKKIN' SHOW. I totally shoulda took the road that had all those people on it. Damn." – Joss Whedon
9. I recommend reading . . . "Why People Obey the Law," by Tom Tyler. It explains that people are more likely to break the law if society keeps jerking them around.
10. If I were ever stuck on an island, and could only bring 3 items with me, they would be . . . Satellite enable laptop computer to call for help and stream movies, a bag of popcorn, and a bottle of wine to sip while I wait for the Coast Guard.
11. Most AABA members probably don't know that I . . . once made a water fountain out of a toilet and called it art.



## In-House Counsel Application Now Open!

NAPABA Connects, formerly known as the Pitch Sessions, provides a unique opportunity for attorneys and in-house counsel (IHC) to foster relationships between law firm lawyers and IHC through various touchpoints throughout the NAPABA Convention.

This year, in order to encourage participation from IHC, NAPABA is offering *complimentary registrations* to those who participate in two pitch sessions, as well as other incentives.

### IHC Participation | Application Deadline: Wednesday, July 26

IHC will be entered into a raffle at every touchpoint they attend (except for individual pitch sessions) to win prizes.

Each company whose IHC participates in the pitch sessions and meets with at least two law firms for 30-minute sessions will receive one complimentary registration for the 2017 NAPABA Convention.

[Click Here to Submit an IHC Application](#)

### Law Firm Participation | Application opens Aug. 2

You must be part of a law firm sponsoring at the Gold, Platinum, Jade, Diamond, or Premier level, OR a solo & small firm practitioner who is a NAPABA member at the Platinum level (annual membership contribution of \$500). A solo & small firm is defined by NAPABA as a firm with 25 or fewer attorneys.

For more information on the new and improved program, [click here!](#)

#### 2017 NAPABA Convention

Marriott Marquis Washington, D.C.

Nov. 2 - 5, 2017



## Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.

P.O. Box 1351  
Houston, Texas 77252

### AABF Pro Bono Scholarship Fall 2017 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 be completed by the end of the fall semester of 2017. 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 up to 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 **August 18, 2017** 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 August 18, 2017, 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 48 hours.

Joyce Kao Soliman  
Porter Hedges LLP  
1000 Main Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002  
[jsoliman@porterhedges.com](mailto:jsoliman@porterhedges.com) and with a copy by email to: [dtran@southernco.com](mailto:dtran@southernco.com)

For additional information, please contact Dat Tran (ph. 713.300.5131) or Joyce Kao Soliman (ph.713-226-6685).



Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1351  
Houston, Texas 77252

**Community Organization Grant**  
**Community Organization Grant Guidelines**  
**2017**

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 2017 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 15, 2017 (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 18, 2017, and mailed or emailed as follows:**

Mail to:

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

Email to:

[dtran@southernco.com](mailto:dtran@southernco.com).



Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1351  
Houston, Texas 77252

**2017 AABF Honorable Herbert W. Gee Memorial Scholarship**  
**Application Guidelines**

The Asian American Bar Foundation of Houston, Inc. seeks to award up to a \$3,000 scholarship in honor of the late Judge Herbert W. Gee, who was Associate Presiding Judge for the City of Houston Municipal Courts, a founding member and Past President of the Asian American Bar Association, and a recipient of the 2010 AABA Impact Award. The 2017 AABF Honorable Herbert W. Gee Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an individual applicant who best embodies the spirit of the late Judge Gee who (1) was dedicated to serving the public, (2) supported the Asian American community in the greater Houston area, and (3) exemplified intelligence, generosity and leadership in his everyday life. The foregoing criteria may be weighed in any order as determined by the AABF.

To be eligible, an applicant must be (1) a member of the AABA, (2) enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in Texas, and (3) intend to reside and seek employment in the greater Houston metropolitan area after graduation. Applicants should submit application packages containing the following information to the Scholarship/Grant Committee, where applicable:

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 ABA-accredited law school in Texas
8. Educational background
9. Course work, clinics or other relevant extracurricular activities at current or previous schools relevant to AABF's purposes listed above
10. Employment history (if any)
11. Employment experience relevant to the criteria listed above
12. Community and volunteer experience relevant to criteria listed above
13. Involvement with Asian American community relevant to criteria listed above



14. Leadership experience relevant to criteria listed above
15. Independent research or publications relevant to criteria listed above
16. Awards, honors, scholarships received
17. Other activities, hobbies, skills, positions held in any organizations, etc.
18. Any other information that applicant desires to provide to assist in the application process
19. Cover letter stating how the applicant demonstrates or embodies the criteria set forth above

The scholarship recipient will receive a \$3,000 scholarship to help cover tuition and academic expenses and 1 ticket to the Asian American Bar Association of Houston's annual gala, to be held September 15, 2017 (date may change), where the scholarship will be presented. The scholarship recipient is required to submit a final report at the following year updating the AABF on the status of the recipient's studies and activities and how the scholarship has helped the recipient.

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 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 scholarship or increase the number of scholarships in its sole discretion.

**Application packages must be postmarked no later than August 18, 2017**, and mailed or emailed as follows:

Mail to:

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

Email to:

dtran@southernco.com.

**AABA Project Blueprint Grant Application**

The AABA is seeking to promote Asian-American leadership in the Houston community by awarding a **\$500 grant** to an attorney (“Recipient”) to attend the United Way of Greater Houston’s Project Blueprint program and who is committed to joining the board of one or more nonprofit or public sector organizations in the Houston area.

Project Blueprint is a ten (10) week United Way program running from March to May 2018, designed to prepare diverse leadership candidates to take on impactful leadership roles in nonprofit and public sector boards and committees upon completion of the program. The tuition for Project Blueprint is \$650.00, and the AABA Grant is designed to offset most of the cost. As a representative of the AABA, the Recipient will be expected to use his or her best efforts to attend the full ten (10) week Project Blueprint program, and thereafter actively seek opportunities to join at least one nonprofit board or public sector committee in the Houston area.

The Recipient will receive a **\$500.00** award from the AABA, paid directly to the Project Blueprint program. The Recipient will be responsible for completing the online application for Project Blueprint (available on the United Way website at <https://www.unitedwayhouston.org/nonprofit-connection/leadership-development>), and paying the balance of the Project Blueprint program fee.<sup>1</sup>

Application for the Grant is open to all AABA members in good standing. Consideration will be given for past service to the AABA, AABF and non-profits servicing the Asian and Asian American community.

Please note: To apply for the AABA Grant, submit a completed form by **Tuesday, October 10, 2017.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

State Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Legal Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Law School (include Graduation Date) \_\_\_\_\_

Check current practice setting:  Large/mid-size firm  Solo/Small Firm  
 In-House Counsel  Government/Public Interest

List Current Practice Areas: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach (1) your resume and (2) a narrative describing any prior service to the AABA, AABF, or other nonprofit organization, and your motivation for attending Project Blueprint. You may also include any relevant information the committee should know.**

**Please mail or e-mail your completed form and the materials above to:**

Albert Liou  
Jones Day  
717 Texas, Suite 3300  
Houston, TX 77002  
E-mail: [aliou@jonesday.com](mailto:aliou@jonesday.com)

<sup>1</sup> The AABA reserves the right to withdraw the Grant award if the Recipient is not admitted into Project Blueprint.

# AABA *of Houston*

cordially invites to you its

## Annual Gala & Silent Auction



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2017  
at the  
ROYAL SONESTA HOUSTON GALLERIA

Reception and Silent Auction  
6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Dinner, Keynote Address, and  
Awards Ceremony  
7:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.

The AABA is pleased to announce that Professor Frank H. Wu will present the keynote address at this year's Gala. Professor Wu is a Distinguished Professor of Law and past Dean at UC Hastings College of Law, and was previously voted the most "influential" dean in legal education in a poll by National Jurist Magazine. He is currently the chair of the Committee of 100, a non-profit organization working on twin missions of promoting good relations between the U.S. and China and the civic engagement of Chinese Americans.

He is the author of *Yellow: Race in America Beyond Black and White* and co-author of *Race, Rights and Reparation: Law and the Japanese American Internment*. His work has appeared in the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*. He blogs regularly for the *Huffington Post*.

For more information about the Gala, please contact the AABA's Gala Co-Chairs Ray Chung, Michele Nguyen, Minnie Tsai, and Amelia Xu at [aaba.gala@gmail.com](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com).



## 2017 AABA Impact Award: Call for Nominations

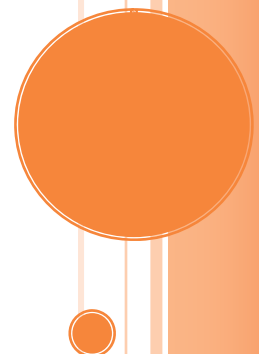
The AABA is seeking nominations for the 2017 Impact Award, which will be presented at this year's AABA Gala & Silent Auction on September 15, 2017.

Criteria: The following non-exclusive factors are considered in selecting the Impact Award recipient:

- Outstanding contribution to the growth and development of the Asian American legal community in the Greater Houston area.
- Promotion of diversity within the practice of law.
- Mentorship and support of other practicing attorneys and law students.
- Commitment to volunteer work and community service.
- Outstanding legal acumen within his/her respective field.
- Contribution to the AABA.

Nominations Period: Nominations are now being accepted through Friday, August 4, 2017.

Please submit nominations to AABA President, Albert Liou, at [aliou@jonesday.com](mailto:aliou@jonesday.com).





**ASIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON  
2017 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**JUDICIAL SPONSORSHIP (for current sitting members of the judiciary only) - \$350**

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

**SOLO & SMALL FIRM UNDERWRITER (10 OR LESS ATTORNEYS) - \$750**

- ◆ Two tickets to the Gala

**BRONZE LEVEL UNDERWRITER - \$2,000**

- ◆ Four tickets to the Gala

**SILVER LEVEL UNDERWRITER - \$3,500**

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table
- ◆ Logo display in the printed Gala program

**GOLD LEVEL UNDERWRITER - \$5,000**

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
- ◆ Two tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
- ◆ Logo display in the printed Gala program
- ◆ Underwriter recognition in AABA monthly newsletters for 1 year

**PLATINUM LEVEL 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 2017 Corporate Counsel Dinner**
- ◆ **Four tickets to attend the AABA 2017 Corporate Counsel Dinner**

**DIAMOND LEVEL UNDERWRITER - \$10,000**

- ◆ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
- ◆ Six tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
- ◆ Full page COLOR advertisement in the printed Gala program
- ◆ Underwriter recognition in AABA monthly newsletters for 1 year
- ◆ **Recognition as an Underwriter of the AABA 2017 Corporate Counsel Dinner**
- ◆ **Six tickets to attend the AABA 2017 Corporate Counsel Dinner**

*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  
2017 GALA & SILENT AUCTION**

**CORPORATE AND FIRM UNDERWRITER FORM**

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

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

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

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

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

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please select your level of underwriting\*:

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$10,000 Diamond Level Underwriter**

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

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$5,000 Gold Level Underwriter**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$3,500 Silver Level Underwriter**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$2,000 Bronze Level Underwriter**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$750 Solo & Small Firm Underwriter**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$350 Judicial Sponsorship\*\***

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\*\*For current sitting members of the judiciary only.

Please return your completed form and check made payable to  
"AABA of Houston" by no later than **July 28, 2017** to:

**Blank Rome LLP  
Attn: Ray Chung  
717 Texas Avenue Suite 1400  
Houston, TX 77002**

*Questions? Feel free to contact us at [aaba.gala@gmail.com](mailto:aaba.gala@gmail.com)  
Thank you for your interest and support.*





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### **Legislative Attorney (Privacy, Cybersecurity, and Data Protection Law)**

Open: 6/22/2017 – 7/20/2017

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The Congressional Research Service (CRS), American Law Division (ALD), seeks a Legislative Attorney to analyze legal questions that emerge from the work of Congress related to privacy, cybersecurity, and data protection law in particular and American public law generally. This is a non-litigating position emphasizing qualifications and interest in legal research and writing in a public service legislative context. Candidates with research experience in and broad general knowledge of legal issues regarding privacy, cybersecurity, and data protection in particular and American public law in general; who demonstrate strong research, writing, and oral communication skills; and who possess a portfolio of high quality legal analytical writing are encouraged to apply. Experience as a judicial clerk would be beneficial.

The position's primary focus is the broad area of privacy, cybersecurity, and data protection law. However, given ALD's relatively small staff and the breadth of issues ALD covers for Congress, candidates must also be capable of working in a number of different areas of the law and have the intellectual curiosity to seek out and maintain a broad portfolio of legal issues. Thus, applicants should also have knowledge of administrative law and constitutional law.

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The Legislative Attorney prepares objective, non-partisan analytical studies and descriptive and background memoranda and reports on legal issues of national significance; provides personal consultation and assistance to congressional committees, Members, and staff on legal issues throughout the legislative process; and participates in or leads team research projects and seminars. The Attorney is expected to develop over time the skills necessary to provide legal analysis and consultation to congressional committees, Members, and staff at increasingly sophisticated levels.

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