Happy new year! - AABA January 2020 Newsletter

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Please Remember to Renew your Membership and Pay Dues

Thank you so much for your continued support of the AABA! Your membership really is what makes all of the good work that AABA does possible. If you have not already renewed your membership for 2020, don't miss out on all of the great events to come this year. For your convenience, you can now automatically renew your membership.

Sign up or renew your membership today by clicking [here](https://mailchi.mp/761082fe84b/aaba-december-2019-supplemental-newsletter-1252905?e=059b3f25f4). Thank you!

**AABA HOUSTON**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS**

**Welcome from President Judy Kim**

Dear AABA Friends:

Happy Lunar New Year!

I am excited to start 2020 along with AABA's officers and board in order to serve you and the broader membership. We have a packed schedule of community events, CLE programs, and social events.

We are starting the year off with two membership events: the membership kickoff dinner...
Happy new year! We are looking forward to sharing the great news about our membership over the course of 2020.

Send Us Your Good News!

Recently promoted? Published an article? Got some good news to share? Let us know at news@aabahouston.com

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

AABA Kickoff Dinner on January 23

Please join us for the AABA's Kickoff Dinner on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 6 PM for a night of great food, wine, and company.

Sixty Vines
2540 University Blvd.
Houston, TX 77005

Click here to RSVP online.
AABA Welcome Reception on January 30

Please join us for the AABA's Welcome Reception on January 30, 2020 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

The event is graciously sponsored by Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP and will feature fusion fare prepared by Underbelly's Chris Shepherd. Not to be missed!

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
1111 Louisiana St. 44th Floor
Houston, TX 77002
Join the Asian American Bar Association of Houston for a welcome reception on

Thursday, January 30, 2020

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Bring your friends and enjoy Houston’s best Asian fusion from the renowned Chris Shepherd’s Underbelly Hospitality.

Graciously sponsored by

Akin Gump
STRAUSS HAUER & FELD LLP

Address: 1111 Louisiana St., 44th Floor, Houston, TX 77002

Please RSVP by January 24 at aabahouston.com/events

Make sure to bring your business cards to enter an exciting raffle!

ABA Defending Liberty and Pursuing Justice Summit on February 14-15

The ABA is hosting its first annual “Defending Liberty and Pursuing Justice Summit” on Feb. 14-15 in Austin, TX. This event includes 15 complimentary CLE programs on justice issues along with complimentary receptions and networking opportunities. All interested
Portrait Unveiling of the Hon. Theresa Chang on February 21

Judge Theresa Chang is a respected jurist and long-time supporter of the AABA. She will be honored at a portrait unveiling at the Harris County Civil Courthouse on **February 21st at 12:00 PM.** Judge Chang has graciously invited members of the AABA to attend.

Harris County Civil Courthouse
Ceremonial Courtroom
201 Caroline Street
17th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002

A reception will follow. Please RSVP to rsvp@judgechang.com.
Honorable Jim F. Kovach
Cordially Invites You to Attend the

Portrait Unveiling Ceremony
Honoring

Honorable Theresa W. Chang

In Recognition of Her Service to
Harris County Civil Court at Law No. 2

Friday, February 21st
Noon
Harris County Civil Courthouse
Ceremonial Courtroom
201 Caroline Street, 17th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002

Reception to Follow
Please RSVP to rsvp@judgechang.com

Jobs Section on AABA Website

Check out more opportunities on the AABA website. Click here.

HBA Law Day Contests
Please share with your family and friends! The Houston Bar Association is sponsoring Essay, Photography, and Poster contests for 2020 Law Day.

9th-12th Grade: Essay Contest and Photography Contest
K - 8th Grade: Poster Contest
Special Needs: Poster Contest and Photography Contest

The theme this year is the *19th Amendment on law, society, and culture*, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of women's rights to vote.

Additional information regarding the HBA Law Day contests, including rules and entry information, will be posted at [www.hba.org/lawday](http://www.hba.org/lawday), or contact Cindy Dinh, AABA VP Community Relations.
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NAPABA 20x20 GC Pipeline Program

Are you “ready soon” to become a Fortune 1000 General Counsel? If yes, then we want you to join almost 100 other Pipeliners being groomed as a robust pipeline that fuels NAPABA’s 20x20 Initiative (20 APA GCs in the Fortune 500 by 2020; spoiler alert: we’re now at 27).

So what’s the criteria for becoming a Pipeliner? You must be an APA in-house counsel who meets one or more of the following criteria:

1. A direct report to the General Counsel of a Fortune 1000 company;
2. A Divisional General Counsel of a Fortune 1000 company;

### 9TH - 12TH GRADE
**THEME:** Your Vote, Your Voice, Our Democracy: The 19th Amendment at 100

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### SPECIAL NEEDS
**THEME:** Laws Help Us

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**RULES + ENTRY:**
www.HBA.org/LawDay

**DEADLINE:**
Friday, March 6, 2020 @ 5:00 pm

Questions? Contact Bonnie Simmons, Houston Bar Association Director of Projects, at BonnieS@hba.org or 713.759.1133.
As a Pipeliner, you’ll be invited to participate in an industry-leading array of programs expressly designed by and for APA IHCs. Click here for more: Pipeline Program and F500 APA GC Facebook (2018).

If you’d like to apply (or know someone who should), please email Rachany Son at rachanyson@gmail.com.

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