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2018 AABA Houston Gala & Silent Auction

Save the date! The AABA and the Gala Committee cordially request that join us for the 34th Annual Gala & Silent Auction.

When: October 5, 2018 at 6 p.m.

Where: Marriott Marquis Houston, 1777 Walker Street, Houston, Texas 77010

Keynote Speaker: Salle Yoo, former Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of Uber Technologies, Inc.


The following morning, on October 6, 2018, the AABA and Kirkland & Ellis will be hosting a Women’s Brunch with Ms. Yoo. Details to follow.

For sponsorship opportunities, including access to the cocktail honoring our speaker and award winners, please see attached sponsorship details.
2018 Summer Membership Drive

Join or renew your membership for a reduced fee!

First-time members joining the AABA pay only $30 to join! Current members can join in the fun and win prizes (such as Gala tickets!) by recruiting others to sign up or renew their membership in order. Details are available on the attached flyer or at https://aabahouston.com/join-us.

Reminder: One benefit of your 2018 membership in the AABA is a free affiliate membership to the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA), valid through December 31, 2018. As an affiliate member, you are eligible to vote and serve as a member of NAPABA’s Board of Governors and NAPABA Committees and may take advantage of all the other benefits to which NAPABA’s individual members are entitled.

If your 2018 AABA membership dues are up to date, you may join or renew your NAPABA membership online, at http://www.napaba.org/general/login.asp.

Email Minnie Tsai at minnie.tsai@gmail.com to obtain the 2018 NAPABA membership code.

Sign up before September 30, 2018 to take advantage of the Membership Drive incentives!
2018 Asian American Bar Foundation

The AABA and its charitable arm, the Asian American Bar Foundation, are proud to announce that applications are open for **FOUR** grant and scholarship opportunities:

- The APALSA Grant;
- The Community Organization Grant;
- The Pro Bono Scholarship; and
- The Honorable Herbert W. Gee Memorial Scholarship.

The application and details about eligibility for each of these is available on our website, www.aabahouston.com. Deadlines for all of these opportunities is **September 5th**!

2018 Annual Wills Clinic

On June 16, 2018, the AABA continued its tradition of hosting the Annual Wills Clinic in partnership with Houston Volunteer Lawyers Association. Our trained volunteers provided free legal assistance to dozens of clients and families in need of estate planning services.

We’d like to thank the HVLA for providing resources and training! We are also grateful for our Community & Pro Bono Committee, particularly Cathleen Chang, who trained and recruited volunteers for this outreach and for our Vice President of Community Relations, Nickie Tran, who led our volunteers at the clinic. In case you missed it, there are several more legal clinic volunteer opportunities coming up!
On June 9, 2018, members of the AABA continued their efforts to support the greater Houston area’s recovery effort with legal clinics co-sponsored by the Alliance and South Texas College of Law. Together, the organizations have provided legal assistance to dozens of families in Houston and the surrounding areas, working on FEMA appeal letters, landlord/tenant disputes and general consultations. The organizations have provided approximately $23,000 in financial relief to individuals in our Houston community!

We look forward to working with the Alliance and STCL for future clinics and call on AABA members to sign up for one of the following clinic dates: August 11, October 13, or December 8. Please see our flyer below for more details.

Annual Alumni Leaders Luncheon

On June 27, 2018, the AABA’s current and former officers and board members gathered for an annual luncheon and discussion on the growth and future of the organization. Many thanks to our alumni leaders who continue to contribute to the AABA!
2018 Joint Reception

On June 22, 2018, the AABA continued building bridges with our legal partners at SABA and APIS by co-hosting a joint networking reception. Members and friends of Texas’ pan-Asian network made new friends and enjoyed cocktails and light bites together at the Grotto Downtown. We look forward to many more joint events with these great affiliates bar organizations.

Meet Our State and National Affiliates

- Texas Minority Counsel Program
  - August 16, 2018 at 609 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77002 (Second Floor Apollo Room)
  - The 26th Annual Texas Minority Counsel Program Conference will be hosted in Houston this year from October 17-19, 2018. As a run-up to this conference, please save the date for a pre-conference reception with fellow minority attorneys.
  - Visit www.texasbar.com/TMCP and the attached flyer for more information about the conference.
2018 Impact Award Nominations

We are now fielding nominations for this year’s Impact Award recipient, who will be honored at the 2018 Gala and Silent Auction! Candidates must be in good standing and licensed to practice law in any jurisdiction in the United States.

The AABA will consider the following factors in determining its award recipient:

- Candidates who have made outstanding contributions to the growth and development of the Asian American legal community in Houston;
- Candidates who have made significant efforts to promote diversity within the practice of law;
- Candidates who have made significant efforts to mentor and support other practicing attorneys and law students;
- Candidates who have shown a commitment to helping others in the Houston community through volunteer work and community service;
- Candidates who provide outstanding legal services within their respective legal fields; and
- Candidates who have shown a commitment to being involved in the AABA.

Job Openings

- **Superior Energy Services, Inc.**

Superior Energy Services is a leading provider of specialized oilfield services and equipment. It is currently seeking a Corporate Counsel to join its legal team based in Houston, Texas. The position will provide guidance and support day-to-day operational matters as well as strategic business projects for the business units. Candidates should have at least 1-3 years of experience, preferably with a large law firm or in-house.

Apply online at careers-superiorenergy.icims.com.

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- **YouTube**: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvTUZVglxQT8DzSFnUI0WA
Upcoming Events

• **Hurricane Harvey Relief Clinic Series (Ongoing)**
  
  - Please mark your calendars for August 11, October 13, and December 8, as the AABA continues its clinics to assist victims of Hurricane Harvey throughout Houston.
  
  - Register online under the “Events” tab of www.aabahouston.com, or RSVP with Sang Shin at sshin@fosterglobal.com.

• **Fall Mentorship Brunch**
  
  - Please mark your calendars for August 25, 2018 for our fall brunch hosted by the Mentorship & Law School Relations Committee. Brunch will be complementary for our mentor/mentee pairs, and early registrants from our local law schools.
  
  - Details forthcoming!

• **Asian Legal Advice Clinics (Ongoing)**
  
  - Volunteers (especially our Mandarin and Cantonese speakers) are needed at 1:30 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Chinese Community Center, 9800 Town Park Drive, Houston, Texas 77036.
  
  - Likewise, Vietnamese-speaking volunteers are needed at 1:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of every month at VN Teamwork, 11210 Bellaire Blvd., Suite 118, Houston, Texas 77072.
  
  - Register by e-mail to Brittany.Krohn@HVLP.org.

• **Saturday Legal Advice Clinic**
  
  - Volunteers are also needed in partnership to provided legal assistance in Southwest Houston with HVL at 9 am—12:30 pm on August 4, 2018 at Southwest MSC, 6400 High Star, Houston, Texas 77074.
Exciting Changes in 2018

To build upon the AABA’s current network and community, the organization has several exciting changes for the 2018 bar year:

- The creation of a Community Service & Pro Bono Committee which will, with the assistance of our VP of Community Relations, broaden the organization’s reach inside and outside the legal field. The committee will also work closely with the AABF to identify and serve new communities and needs.

- The creation of an Outreach Committee which will, with the assistance of our Secretary, reconnect with our past members to harness the full breadth of knowledge, experience, and history of the Asian-American legal community.

- The renovation of the AABA’s website and membership portal which will allow members to track their individual membership expiration dates, update their contact information, and RSVP for events.

The AABA sends special thanks to our 2017-2018 underwriters:
2018 AABA HOUSTON

GALA & Silent Auction

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: SALLE YOO
Former Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of UBER Technologies
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Asian American Bar Association of Houston (AABA) cordially invites you and your company to attend and underwrite our **2018 Gala & Silent Auction**, which will be held at the **Marriott Marquis Houston on Friday, October 5, 2018**. The Gala is our organization’s flagship event of the year and attracts between 300-400 guests, including local attorneys, judges and community leaders, to celebrate the extraordinary diversity of our city and state.

We are pleased to announce that the keynote speaker for this year’s Gala is **Salle Yoo, former Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary at Uber Technologies, Inc.** The AABA will also present its Impact Award to a distinguished member of the Houston legal community at the event.

Founded in 1984, the AABA is Texas’ largest organization of attorneys, judges and law students advocating for Asian-Pacific American concerns. Proceeds from Gala help support AABA’s enriching CLE programs, community service and pro bono programs, and other activities. The AABA will also donate a portion of the proceeds from its Gala & Silent Auction to its non-profit, charitable affiliate organization, the Asian American Bar Foundation (AABF), whose mission is to serve Asian American communities in the greater Houston area, promote diversity in the legal profession, and improve access to justice for all Texans. The AABF will also be awarding the AABF Pro Bono and Herbert Gee Memorial Scholarships to two deserving law school students and a Community Organization Grant to a local community organization.

Past keynote speakers for the Gala & Silent Auction include: Frank H. Wu, Distinguished Professor and former Dean at the University of California, Hastings College of Law, Mee Moua, president of Asian Americans Advancing Justice (AAJC); Julián Castro, Mayor of San Antonio; and Sandra Leung, General Counsel of Bristol-Myers Squibb.

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,

Ray Chung
Gala Co-Chair
*Blank Rome LLP*

Judith Kim
Gala Co-Chair
*EDF Energy Services, LLC*

John Hwang
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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 2018 Corporate Counsel Dinner
♦ Six tickets to attend the AABA 2018 Corporate Counsel Dinner

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 2018 Corporate Counsel Dinner
♦ Four tickets to attend the AABA 2018 Corporate Counsel Dinner

GOLD LEVEL UNDERWRITER - $5,000
♦ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table with underwriter placard
♦ Two tickets to the VIP Reception preceding the Gala
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SILVER LEVEL UNDERWRITER - $4,000
♦ Ten tickets to the Gala, reserved table
♦ Logo display in the printed Gala program

BRONZE LEVEL UNDERWRITER - $2,000
♦ Four tickets to the Gala

SOLO & SMALL FIRM UNDERWRITER (10 OR LESS ATTORNEYS) - $750
♦ Two tickets to the Gala

JUDICIAL SPONSORSHIP (for current sitting members of the judiciary only) - $350
♦ Two tickets to the Gala
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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!
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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.

**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 September 14, 2018 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
Thank you for your interest and support.
If you or your company are interested in purchasing an advertisement in the 2018 Gala & Silent Auction printed program, please complete the form below.

**THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE AND SUBMIT AN ADVERTISEMENT IS SEPTEMBER 14, 2018.**

**PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENT FORM**

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Contact Name: ________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip Code: __________________________________________________________________

Telephone: ___________ Facsimile: ___________

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Please select the size of your advertisement:

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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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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 28, 2018.

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, 2018 to:

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Attn: Ray Chung
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Houston, TX 77002

- 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.
AABA SUMMER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

FOR A LIMITED TIME
Join the AABA for a Reduced Fee!

Our $30 first time membership level will be expiring on September 30, 2018. If you are not a member, come learn about the AABA of Houston and join or rejoin our community!

Membership comes with many benefits, including free or discounted admission to AABA events such as member only programming, MCLEs, networking mixers and parties, mentorship opportunities, and community engagement events. Become a member today and gain access to all of the professional, career development, mentorship, volunteer opportunities and resources that the AABA of Houston has to offer!

Current Members: Join in the fun!
Individuals who sign up 5 or more new members can win:
5 New Members = 1 Free Year of Membership
10 New Members = 2 Gala Tickets
15 New Members = 1 Year Membership + 2 Gala Tickets

Firms (of ≥ 3) who enroll at least 50% of their attorneys can win:
50% Enrollment = One Social Media Feature
75% Enrollment = Two Social Media Features
  + Recognition at Next Happy Hour
100% Enrollment = Monthly Social Media Features for the rest of 2018
  + Recognition at Next Happy Hour

Questions? Email Minnie Tsai at minnie.tsai@gmail.com

SIGN UP ONLINE AT HTTPS://AABAHOUSTON.COM/JOIN-US
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

SATURDAY LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC
SATURDAY, AUGUST 4
SOUTHWEST MSC
6400 HIGH STAR, HOUSTON 77074
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

We are seeking 10-12 volunteer attorneys will sit with HVL applicants to assess their legal issue, provide counsel and advice, and take notes. Breakfast and coffee will be provided.

Email: Brittany.Krohn@hvlp.org
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Asian Legal Advice Clinics:

3rd Wednesday of every month starting at 1:30 P.M.
Chinese Community Center, 9800 Town Park Dr., Houston, TX 77036
Chinese (Mandarin & Cantonese) speakers needed

2nd Thursday of every month starting at 1:30 P.M.
VN Teamwork, 11210 Bellaire Blvd., Suite 118, Houston, TX 77072
Vietnamese speakers needed

Volunteer attorneys will sit with applicants to assess their legal issue, provide counsel and advice, and take notes. HVL staff will be available to mentor.

To register, email brittany.krohn@hvlp.org
HURRICANE HARVEY LEGAL CLINIC

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Come visit AMCS’ office at 6440 Hillcroft St. Houston, TX on Saturday, August 11, 2018 from 9:30 AM – 12PM

Residents and businesses affected by Hurricane Harvey and flooding may speak to attorney volunteers regarding FEMA appeals and other related legal matters.

This Clinic is part of an ongoing series of clinics. Other dates in 2018: October 13 and December 8.

Please RSVP directly through the AABA website at www.aabahouston.com under the “Events” tab
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