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The Asian American Bar Association of New York is a professional membership organization of attorneys concerned with issues affecting the Asian Pacific American community. Incorporated in 1989, AABANY seeks not only to encourage the professional growth of its members but also to advocate for the Asian Pacific American community as a whole. AABANY is the New York regional affiliate of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association.

**2011 FALL CONFERENCE**

The Asian American Bar Association of New York (“AABANY”) proudly presents its Second Annual Fall Conference, sponsored by Wells Fargo, Sprint and Veritext and hosted by Skadden. We have a full day of CLE programs presented by AABANY’s committees. There will be 8 CLE programs in the morning and 8 in the afternoon, with a luncheon breaking up the morning and afternoon sessions. Sharon Hom, the Executive Director of Human Rights in China will be our luncheon speaker. You can pick from 16 programs described in this brochure, and if you take a full day of CLE programs, you can earn 6 CLE credits. After the conclusion of the CLE programs, we invite you to stay for a cocktail reception where you can connect or re-connect with your peers, friends and colleagues from AABANY and the legal community.

**SCHEDULE**

8 a.m. – 9 a.m.	<b>Breakfast – 37<sup>th</sup> floor</b>			
Room	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
9 am – 10:30 am	<b>Social Media I: Lessons from “The Social Network”</b> <i>Intellectual Property Committee</i>	<b>Room A Fighting Real Estate and Mortgage Fraud in the Big Apple: PART II</b> <i>Prosecutors &amp; Real Estate Committees</i>	<b>Developing Skills as In-House Counsel: Building on Law Firm Practice</b> <i>In-house Counsel &amp; Young Lawyers Committees</i>	<b>Diversity on the Bench and Pathways to the Judiciary: The APA Perspective</b> <i>Judiciary Committee</i>
10:45 am – 12:15 pm	<b>Setting Up Shop: Nuts &amp; Bolts of Solo Practice and Small Firm Practice</b> <i>Student Outreach &amp; Solo and Small Firm Committees</i>	<b>Blazing the Trail to the Legal Academy: APAs as Law Professors</b> <i>Academic Committee</i>	<b>Social Media II: E-Discovery Issues of Social Media and Cloud Computing</b> <i>Government and Public Sector &amp; Litigation Committees</i>	<b>Matters of Privilege: Pitfalls and Challenges in Privilege Law for In-House Counsel</b> <i>In-house Counsel &amp; Litigation Committees</i>
12:30 pm – 2 pm	<b>Luncheon</b> <b>Speaker: Sharon Hom, Executive Director, Human Rights in China</b>			
2:15 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>General Counsel Roundtable - Changing Role of the GC in a Changing Environment</b> <i>In-house Counsel Committee</i>	<b>Valuation in Litigation - An Introduction</b> <i>Litigation &amp; Women’s Committees</i>	<b>Social Media III: Blawging - A Discussion About Legal Blogging</b> <i>Student Outreach and Young Lawyers’ Committees</i>	<b>Journey of the Women Lawyer - Entrepreneur</b> <i>Women’s Committee</i>
4 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>10 Years After 9/11</b> <i>Immigration &amp; Nationality Law &amp; Issues Committees</i>	<b>APA Women in the Law: Reflections and Paving the Way</b> <i>Women’s Committee</i>	<b>U.S.-Asia Intellectual Property Issues</b> <i>Intellectual Property Committee</i>	<b>Family Law: Public &amp; Private</b> <i>Government and Public Sector &amp; Solo and Small Firm Committees</i>
5:30 pm – 7 pm	<b>Cocktail Reception</b>			

**PANEL SESSION 1**  
**9 am – 10:30 am**

**Fighting Real Estate and Mortgage Fraud in the Big Apple: PART II (Room B)**

*Presented by the AABANY Prosecutors' and Real Estate Committees*

Panelists: Richard Farrell - Kings County District Attorney's Office  
Jason A. Ganfer - Ganfer and Shore, LLP  
Raj Rajpal - Wells Fargo

Moderator/Panelist: Margaret T. Ling - Chair, AABANY Real Estate Committee

Prosecutors from the District Attorney's Office and Independent Counsel who have been involved with recent cases of real estate and mortgage fraud throughout New York City will discuss real cases investigated, litigated, and prosecuted. Using fact patterns, they will explain how to recognize and identify fraudulent transactions. Topics such as identity and forgery schemes will be examined including how it affects the victims of fraud and what happens to those who commit the fraud. This is a continuation and expansion of last year's well-attended program on this subject.

**JASON A. GANFER**

Jason A. Ganfer is an associate at the firm of Ganfer and Shore, LLP. His practice focuses on real estate transactions and insurance coverage litigation.

Prior to joining Ganfer and Shore, LLP, Mr. Ganfer handled complex title insurance coverage disputes while working as Counsel at a major Title Insurance Company. He has handled claims seeking indemnification for potential losses aggregating more than \$100,000,000.00 as well as claims arising out of transactions in foreign countries. The cases range from simple recording issues to those involving complex fraudulent schemes.

Mr. Ganfer received his A.B. from Columbia University in 2002 and his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 2005. Mr. Ganfer is admitted to practice law in the State of New York.

**RICHARD K. FARRELL**

Richard K. Farrell is a 1992 graduate of Brooklyn Law School who joined the staff of the King's County District Attorney's Office immediately after taking the bar exam. In his 18 years in office he has been assigned to Criminal Court, Domestic Violence, Grand Jury, Narcotics Grand Jury, Hate Crimes, and the Rackets Division.

Richard joined the Rackets Division in 2000 and has been the Unit Chief of the Mortgage Fraud and Real Estate Crimes Unit since March of 2009. Richard is considered an expert in the investigation and prosecution of mortgage fraud and related white collar crimes.

Richard lives in the Bronx with his wife, Joyce and their children, Michael and Meghan.

**MARGARET T. LING**

Margaret T. Ling (Moderator/Panelist) is Vice President and Counsel at The Landstar Title Agency, Inc. Recently, Margaret was Claims Counsel at First American Title Insurance Company. Prior, Margaret was Vice President of Business Development and New York Counsel at The Couch and Braunsdorf Insurance Group, Liberty Corner, New Jersey. At Couch and Braunsdorf, Margaret was New York Counsel to Couch's Title Insurance and Professional Liability Insurance Divisions. Previous to this position, Margaret was Senior Counsel and National Coordinator at Liberty Title Agency, LLC, New York City as well as Agency and Underwriting Counsel at Ticor Title Insurance Company and Stewart Title Insurance Companies where she was responsible for all title and legal underwriting for over 250 title agents throughout New York State. Margaret also served as the New York Multicultural Liaison for the Fidelity National Title Group where she was involved in the education and training of all Fidelity Company associates in understanding the emerging diverse multicultural real estate market in New York City.

Margaret also held the position of Agency Legal Counsel at Titleserv, LLC; Intracoastal Abstract and CHM Abstract, LLC. Previous to Margaret's positions as in house legal counsel in the title industry, Margaret was in private practice specializing in real estate law.

Margaret received her Bachelor of Arts degree in History, Cum Laude from Barnard College-Columbia University and her Juris Doctor degree from New York Law School. She was admitted to practice law in the State of New York, Appellate Division, Second Department in 1986.

Margaret is a Board of Director of the Asian Bar Association of New York where she is also Chairperson of the Real Estate Committee. She is also a member of the Barnard Business Professional Women's Association; a member of the New York State Bar Association and its Real Property Committee and Diversity Committee; a member of the

Municipal Agency Committee of the New York State Land Title Association; a member of the Asian Pacific Lawyer's Association of New Jersey; a member of the Korean Lawyer's Association; a member of Asian Women in Business; a member of the Asian Real Estate Association; a member of the Chinese American Real Estate Association; a member of the National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals; a member of the National Association of Female Executives; a member of the United States Golf Association and an active Volunteer Golf Coach in the Metropolitan First Tee Program of New York/New Jersey.

### **RAJ RAJPAL**

Raj Rajpal is a Home Mortgage Consultant for Wells Fargo Home Mortgage. He is a member of the President's Club. He has been with Wells Fargo for over 11 years as a Mortgage Consultant and prior to that, he worked with Bank of America for about 10 years. He is a graduate of Delhi University in India with a focus on Business, Sales and Marketing Management. Raj has been successfully ranked as the top 1% of mortgage originators in the country for the past 15 years and has personally closed over 15,000 transactions. He serves on various committees and real estate boards throughout the community and even has his own Real Estate Call in Radio Show on Sunday mornings.

### **Developing Skills as In-House Counsel: Building on Law Firm Practice (Room C)**

*Presented by the AABANY In-House and Young Lawyers' Committees*

Panelists: Prasanth R. Akkapeddi - The McGraw-Hill Companies  
Vincent T. Hull - Citigroup Global Markets Inc.  
Sarah Marshall - The PeterSan Group  
Wendy Yun - Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Moderator: Duane Morikawa - Co-Chair, AABANY In-House Counsel Committee

This program will explore the skill set attorneys should develop to become effective in-house. The panel will focus on understanding the legal and business structure of their firms, the importance of the "business as client" approach, and managing external counsel. The speakers will also discuss the possible trajectories of careers in-house and day-to-day differences in comparison to traditional law firm practice.

### **VINCENT T. HULL**

Vincent T. Hull is Vice President and Senior Counsel at Citigroup Global Markets Inc., where he handles regulatory inquiries and related investigations, sweeps and enforcement proceedings initiated by the SEC, Department of Justice, FINRA and other federal and state securities regulators. Previously, he was a litigation attorney in the New York office of Bingham McCutchen LLP, where he represented banks and broker dealers in securities litigation and regulatory enforcement matters. Mr. Hull received a B.S. from Cornell University and a J.D. from the American University Washington College of Law, where he served as Team Director of the Moot Court Honor Society, Articles Editor of the American University International Law Review and President of the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association.

### **PRASANTH R. AKKEPEDDI**

Prasanth R. Akkapeddi is Associate General Counsel at The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., where he handles litigation, regulatory and investigative matters for the Company's information and media, financial services and education businesses. Previously, he was a litigation attorney in the New York office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP focusing on commercial litigation, intellectual property and white collar practice. He also serves as President of the Board of The Manhattan Choral Ensemble, a New York not-for-profit. Mr. Akkapeddi is a graduate of Yale University and Columbia Law School.

### **SARAH MARSHALL**

Sarah Marshall is a Director at The PeterSan Group, where she conducts searches for and places attorneys and compliance professionals with global banks, top tier financial institutions, private funds, public and private companies and all types of law firms, locally, nationally and internationally. She has handled searches with pharmaceutical and life sciences entities, household name consumer products companies, highly recognizable media organizations, Fortune 500 manufacturing corporations, significant insurance concerns, rapidly expanding technology start-ups, cutting-edge telecommunications and established energy companies, among others. Prior to joining The PeterSan Group in 2004, Sarah was a corporate associate at Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP for five years. At Cravath, Sarah completed rotations in the firm's banking, securities and mergers and acquisitions groups and spent time in their Hong Kong office. Sarah

received her law degree, cum laude, from NYU School of Law. While in law school, Sarah was a summer associate at Proskauer Rose LLP and Cravath. Sarah received her Bachelor of Science degree, cum laude, from Duke University, where she majored in Biology and History. Sarah is also an active alumna of The Chapin School in Manhattan.

#### **DUANE MORIKAWA**

Duane Morikawa (Moderator) is a Director and Counsel with Natixis North America LLC, which is the U.S. subsidiary of Natixis, the corporate, investment management and financial services arm of Group BPCE, the second-largest banking group in France. He provides counsel to the banking and investment banking operations of Natixis and is primarily involved with transactional matters, including derivatives and swaps, credit facilities and other debt instruments. Prior to joining Natixis, he was a Vice President, Counsel and Assistant Secretary with ORIX USA Corporation. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of California at Los Angeles and earned a law degree from New York Law School. He is currently a co-chair of the AABANY In-House Counsel Committee.

#### **WENDY YUN**

Wendy joined Goldman Sachs in 2006. Prior to joining Goldman Sachs, she worked as an associate in the structured finance and securitization group at McKee Nelson, LLP and, prior to that, as an associate in the structured finance and derivatives group at Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP. Wendy received a B.A. from Trinity College in 1993 and a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1998. She is admitted to practice in New York.

#### **Diversity on the Bench and Pathways to the Judiciary: the APA Perspective (Room D)**

*Presented by the AABANY Judiciary Committee*

Panelists: Hon. Denny Chin - US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, AABANY Past President  
Hon. James d'Auguste - Civil Court of the State of New York  
Hon. Marilyn D. Go - US District Court for the Eastern District of New York  
Hon. Kiyo A. Matsumoto - US District Court for the Eastern District of New York  
Hon. Jeffery K. Oing - Supreme Court of the State of New York, Commercial Division  
Arthur Greig - Manhattan Democratic Party

Moderators: Vincent T. Chang – Co-chair, AABANY Judiciary Committee, AABANY Past President  
Theodore K. Cheng – Co-chair, AABANY Judiciary Committee  
James P. Chou – Co-chair, AABANY Judiciary Committee, AABANY Past President

Diversity enhances the public's trust and confidence in the justice system when the judges deciding cases resemble the vast racial, ethnic, and cultural groups that make up our society. This program will cover the lack of diversity in the judiciary and study how this can be overcome through examining the judicial selection and election process. The panel will be composed of APA federal and state judges, and individuals familiar with the selection process.

Moderator Bios

#### **VINCENT T. CHANG** - Partner, Wollmuth, Maher & Deutsch LLP; Co-Chair, AABANY Judiciary Committee

Mr. Chang (Moderator) specializes in complex litigation in such areas as securities, insurance, bankruptcy, subprime mortgage securitizations, hedge funds, real estate, reinsurance, auction rate securities, bondholder litigation, investment banking, and antitrust. He was previously an associate and then counsel at Davis Polk & Wardwell from 1989-2002. Mr. Chang serves on the Executive Committee of the New York County Lawyers Association (NYCLA) and on the Boards of Directors of Legal Services NYC, NYCLA, the Network of Bar Leaders, the NYCLA Foundation, and the Asian American Law Fund of New York. He also serves on the Nominating Committee and the House of Delegates of the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA) and is one of NYCLA's representatives to the Judiciary Committee of the New York City Bar Association (NYC Bar Association). In addition, he has served as Vice Chairman of two committees of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association. Mr. Chang is a past president of AABANY and a Co-Chair of the Litigation Committee of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA). He is a graduate of Harvard College, magna cum laude, and Harvard Law School, cum laude. Mr. Chang clerked for the Honorable Robert B. Krupansky of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

#### **THEODORE K. CHENG** - Partner, Yoon & Kim LLP; Co-Chair, AABANY Judiciary Committee

Mr. Cheng (Moderator) maintains a general litigation practice, specializing in intellectual property, general commercial disputes, and appellate matters. He also serves as a Small Claims Court arbitrator and joined Resolute Systems to provide mediation, arbitration, and ADR consulting services. Mr. Cheng was previously a senior litigator at

Proskauer Rose; Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison; and Loeb & Loeb. He currently serves as the Secretary to the Second Circuit Courts Committee of the Federal Bar Council and is a member of the NYC Bar Association's Copyright & Literary Property Committee. Since 2008, Mr. Cheng has been annually named a NYSBA Empire State Counsel and was named one of the Best Lawyers Under 40 in 2007 by NAPABA. He was appointed by former Governors Eliot Spitzer and David A. Paterson to serve as a member and Chair of the New York State Commission on Increasing Diversity in the State Government Workforce. Mr. Cheng is a past Recording Secretary and Director of AABANY and a past co-chair of its Litigation Committee. He received his A.B. cum laude from Harvard University and his J.D. from New York University School of Law, where he served as the editor-in-chief of the Moot Court Board. Mr. Cheng clerked for both the Honorable Julio M. Fuentes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and the Honorable Ronald L. Buckwalter of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

**THE HONORABLE DENNY CHIN** - U.S. Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

Judge Chin was inducted on June 16, 2010 to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, becoming the first Asian Pacific American federal appellate court judge to be nominated and confirmed outside of the Ninth Circuit and only the fifth overall in U.S. history. Judge Chin had been a U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of New York since 1994 and was the longest serving Asian Pacific American federal district court judge to date. Before this appointment, Judge Chin joined the firm of Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C., where he specialized in labor and employment law representing employees and unions. In 1986, he started his own law firm, Campbell, Patrick & Chin. From 1982-1986, he served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and, from 1980-1982, he was associated with the firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell. Judge Chin clerked for the Honorable Henry F. Werker, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York from 1978-1980. He has taught legal writing at Fordham University School of Law since 1986. Judge Chin graduated from the Fordham University School of Law in 1978, where he was Managing Editor of the Law Review, and from Princeton University in 1975. From 1992-1993, Judge Chin served as President of AABANY.

**JAMES P. CHOU** - Senior Counsel, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP; Co-Chair, AABANY Judiciary Committee

Mr. Chou (Moderator) focuses on complex commercial, white collar criminal defense, and bankruptcy litigation for private equity funds, hedge funds, major financial institutions, and multinational corporations. He also served as pro bono counsel for the New York County Democratic Committee in Lopez Torres v. New York State Board of Elections, a First Amendment associational rights case involving the constitutionality of New York's convention system for nominating judicial candidates to the state's Supreme Court. In connection with the case, Mr. Chou tried a multiday evidentiary hearing before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York and was integrally involved in appeals to the Second Circuit and the United States Supreme Court, which rendered a unanimous decision upholding the convention system in January 2008. In 2005, he was appointed to chair the Democratic Committee's Independent Judicial Screening Panel for Civil Court and Surrogate Court positions. Mr. Chou is a past president of AABANY and also served on the board of NAPABA as its Northeast Regional Governor from 2007-2009. He was a recipient of the 2008 NAPABA Best Lawyers Under 40 Award. Mr. Chou received his B.A. magna cum laude from New York University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and his J.D. from the Georgetown University Law Center, where he was a member of the Journal of Legal Ethics.

**THE HONORABLE JAMES E. D'AUGUSTE** - Acting Judge, Bronx County Family Court of the City of New York

Judge d'Auguste was elected to the New York County Civil Court in 2009. He is currently serving as an Acting Family Court Judge in the Bronx and primarily presides over custody, visitation and family offense matters. Before becoming a judge, he served as the section chief in charge of litigation for the New York Liquidation Bureau, the office of the New York State Department of Insurance responsible for supervising the receivership of insolvent insurance companies. Judge d'Auguste also enjoyed a very successful private practice as a commercial litigator with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP. Akin Gump honored him with a pro bono Associate of the Year Award and bestowed a pro bono Litigation Team of the Year Award upon him and his colleagues. Before joining Akin Gump, Judge d'Auguste clerked for the Honorable Charles E. Ramos in the Commercial Division of the New York State Supreme Court, New York County. While with Justice Ramos, Judge d'Auguste assisted with the resolution of complex commercial litigation and class actions. Judge d'Auguste received his B.A. from the State University of New York at Binghamton in 1993 and his J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in 1996. At graduation, the Cardozo faculty presented him with the John D. Appel Service Award for exemplary service to the law school. He previously served on NYCLA's Task Force on

Judicial Selection and was a past co-chair of its Election Law Committee. He also served on the NYC Bar Association's Council on Judicial Administration.

**THE HONORABLE MARILYN D. GO** - U.S. Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

In 1993, Judge Go became the first Asian American woman to be appointed a federal court judge, as well as the first Chinese-American to become a federal judge on the East Coast. Before that, Judge Go joined the firm of Baden Kramer Huffman Brodsky & Go, P.C. She served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York in the Civil Division, and she clerked for the Honorable William M. Marutani of the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, then the only Asian American judge on the East Coast. Judge Go graduated from Harvard Law School in 1977 and Radcliffe College in 1973. She has been an active member of AABANY and has served as Chair of NAPABA's Voting Rights Committee. She was also Co-Chair of the NYSBA's Subcommittee on Judicial Diversity from 1991-1997 and a member of Governor Cuomo's Task Force on Minority Representation on the Bench. Judge Go was a member of the Standing Committee on Minorities in the Judiciary of the American Bar Association from 1993-2004, serving as its Vice Chair from 1997-2004.

**ARTHUR W. GREIG**

Mr. Greig is a sole practitioner in New York County, specializing in trial practice and election law appellate practice. He is also Of Counsel to the Manhattan real estate litigation firm Kellner Herlihy Getty & Friedman. He is a graduate of Tufts University and American University's Washington College of Law. Early in his career, Mr. Greig served as an Assistant District Attorney in Bronx County and as a Law Secretary in New York County Supreme Court. He was Staff Counsel to the Speaker of the New York State Assembly from 1987-1991 and, in 1998, was Special Counsel to the Chairman of the NYS Assembly Ways and Means Committee, concentrating primarily on the judiciary and court merger, and other budget issues. Mr. Greig has also served as Special Counsel to the New York State Senate Democratic (Minority) Conference, concentrating in the areas of Redistricting and Reapportionment Litigation and other Election and Ballot Access issues. In 2004, he was one of the lead trial attorneys representing the intervening defendant New York County Democratic Committee in the Brooklyn Federal District Court trial Lopez-Torres v. N.Y.S. Board of Elections and was on the brief of the winning legal team that successfully defended New York's nominating convention system for State Supreme Court justices in both the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the United States Supreme Court. The Lopez-Torres case was unanimously decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2008 and held the existing judicial convention system in New York State to be constitutional. Mr. Greig has previously served as a lecturer at NYCLA's training classes on Mortgage Foreclosure Receiverships and other fiduciary matters and as a lecturer on "Ethical Issues in the Practice of Real Estate" at the NYC Bar Association. From 1996-1999, he was also a member of the NYC Bar Association's Judiciary Committee. Mr. Greig was a Member and a Panel Chairman of the First Judicial Department's Attorney Disciplinary Committee from 1993-1999 and has been a CLE lecturer on Ethics and Disciplinary issues at the NYC Bar Association and the Appellate Division, First Department since 2006. From 1997-2009, he served as Law Chair of the New York County Democratic Committee under Democratic County Leader Assemblyman Herman D. Farrell. Since 2006, Mr. Greig has served as the elected Male State Committee Member, New York State Democratic Committee, 67th Assembly District (Upper West Side, Manhattan).

**THE HONORABLE KIYO A. MATSUMOTO** - U.S. District Judge, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Judge Matsumoto was appointed to the bench in July 2008, before which she served as a U.S. Magistrate Judge for the same court since July 2004. Before her appointment, she served as an Assistant United States Attorney, Deputy Chief, Chief and Senior Trial Counsel in the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office (E.D.N.Y.) for twenty-one years. She also served as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Bar Council and on various committees of the NYC Bar Association. Judge Matsumoto was also an Adjunct Professor at NYU Law School from 1998-2004 and an Adjunct Professor at Brooklyn Law School from 1985-1986. She participates in mentoring programs sponsored by AABANY.

**THE HONORABLE JEFFREY K. OING** - Justice, Supreme Court of the State of New York

Justice Oing was elected to the Supreme Court of the State of New York on November 2, 2010 and took office on January 1, 2011. Justice Oing presides over a general IA Part with a case inventory of approximately 500 cases, handling both jury and nonjury trials involving personal injury, commercial, and governmental matters. On April 7, 2011, Justice Oing was assigned to the Commercial Division, the responsibilities for which are in addition to his current IA Part inventory. Before being elected to the Supreme Court, Justice Oing was an elected New York County Civil Court Judge from 2004-2010. On June 18, 2009, Justice Oing was appointed Supervising Judge of the New York County Civil Court

and was designated an Acting Supreme Court Justice. As Supervising Judge, Justice Oing was responsible for the day-to-day Civil Court operations at 111 Centre Street. In addition to his supervisory duties, Justice Oing presided over jury and nonjury trials, as well as conferenced and mediated cases. Justice Oing has over twenty years of legal and administrative experience, the majority of which has been in public service. From 1993-1995, Justice Oing served as a Court Attorney in the Supreme Court. He also served as the Law Secretary to Justice Marilyn G. Diamond and to Justice Walter B. Tolub. From 1998-2000, Justice Oing was a Principal Appellate Court Attorney in the Appellate Division, First Department.

### **Social Media I - Lessons from “The Social Network” (Room A)**

*Presented by the AABANY Intellectual Property Committee*

Panelists: Nazish Agha - Agha & Agha, LLP  
Michael Yim - Yim & Chuang LLP

Panelist/Moderator: Jane Chuang - Co-Chair, AABANY Intellectual Property Committee.

The film “The Social Network” has inspired a new generation of entrepreneurs to follow Mark Zuckerberg’s footsteps and start up their own ventures. Facebook’s story, however, contains its own cautionary tales about the legal pitfalls faced by start-ups. Learn about key legal issues that affect start-ups in the areas of employment, intellectual property, and corporate law, and what steps a start-up can take to avoid a lawsuit reminiscent of ConnectU v. Facebook.

#### **JANE CHUANG** - Yim & Chuang LLP

Jane (Panelist/Moderator) is a partner and co-founder of the Yim & Chuang LLP. She practices general litigation, with a focus on intellectual property law. Prior to founding the firm, Jane practiced law in the litigation department of Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP. She also served as law clerk to the Honorable Anne E. Thompson in the District of New Jersey from 2005 to 2006. She received her B.A., cum laude, from Columbia College, Columbia University. She received her J.D., cum laude, from Fordham University School of Law, where she served as a Notes and Articles Editor of the Fordham Law Review. Jane is admitted to practice in New York, New Jersey, the Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey. Jane is a co-chair of the Intellectual Property Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York.

#### **MICHAEL YIM** - Yim & Chuang LLP

Michael is a partner and co-founder of Yim & Chuang LLP. He is experienced in a broad range of labor and employment law matters. Prior to founding the firm, Michael was a solo practitioner and was associated with New York-based boutique labor and employment firms. He received his J.D. from Fordham University School of Law, where he was a Joseph R. Crowley Scholar and recipient of the Dean’s Special Achievement Award. He received his B.A. from Fordham University. Michael is admitted to practice in New York, as well as in the Southern District of New York and Eastern District of New York. He is also a frequent speaker on labor & employment law matters.

#### **NAZISH AGHA** - Agha & Agha, LLP

Nazish is a partner at Agha & Agha, LLP. She practices corporate transactions, with a focus on mergers & acquisitions, venture/start up and corporate finance. Previously, Nazish practiced in the mergers & acquisitions groups of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, Linklaters and Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft. She has over ten years of experience in public and private mergers and acquisitions, securitization, corporate finance and general corporate matters. Nazish received her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. She received her undergraduate degrees in Molecular Biochemistry and Biophysics and Ethics, Politics, and Economics from Yale University. Nazish is active in the South Asian and Muslim communities. Nazish is licensed to practice in New York.

**PANEL SESSION 2**  
**10:45 am – 12:15 pm**

**Matters of Privilege: Pitfalls and Challenges in Privilege Law for In-House Counsel (Room D)**

*Presented by the AABANY In-House Counsel and Litigation Committees*

Panelists: David B. Hennes - Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP  
Lisa Bebchick - Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP

This presentation will provide an overview of a range of privilege issues, focusing on recent developments in the law concerning attorney-client and work product privilege and issues confronted by in-house corporate counsel in today's economic environment. A portion of the presentation will be conducted using a hypothetical fact pattern with a focus on best practices for how to deal with difficult privilege issues in the corporate context.

**David B. Hennes** is a litigation partner resident in Fried Frank's New York office. He joined the Firm in 1996, became a partner in 2003 and serves as one of the Firm's two hiring partners. Mr. Hennes has litigated a broad array of corporate disputes, with an emphasis on complex corporate litigation, securities cases, corporate-control disputes, white-collar crime, and enforcement litigation. He frequently handles complicated federal securities class actions and state law derivative actions, and advises Boards on their responses to these litigations. Mr. Hennes has handled numerous matters arising out of the constriction of the credit markets, including advising on issues of material adverse effect and the enforceability of various merger and credit agreements.

**Lisa H. Bebchick** is a litigation partner resident in Fried Frank's New York office. She joined the Firm in 2001 and became partner in 2009. Ms. Bebchick's practice focuses on all aspects of civil and criminal litigation matters in federal and state courts at the trial and appellate levels and in mediation and arbitration. She primarily represents clients in connection with US Attorney's Office, Office of the New York Attorney General, and Securities and Exchange Commission investigations, as well as in connection with internal investigations. In addition, she has worked on a broad range of commercial litigation matters. Ms. Bebchick's pro bono work includes federal criminal defense.

**Setting Up Shop: The Nuts and Bolts of Solo and Small Firm Practice (Room A)**

*Presented by AABANY Student Outreach and Solo & Small Firm Committees*

Panelists: Megan Rha - Rha & Kim LLP  
Vino Varghese - Varghese & Associates, P.C., AABANY Board of Directors  
Pauline Yeung-Ha - Grimaldi & Yeung LLP, Co-Chair, AABANY Solo and Small Firm Committee  
Rio Guerrero – Guerrero Yee LLP, Co-Chair AABANY AABANY Immigration and Nationality Law Committee

Moderators: Christopher W. Chan - Law Offices of Christopher W. Chan, AABANY Past President  
Timothy K. Wong - Co-Chair, AABANY Solo & Small Firm Committee

Without knowing what to expect, starting your own practice may be daunting in this unstable economy. This forum will benefit attorneys who are contemplating building their own practice and small firms who want to learn from our stellar panel about how to run a successful law firm. The panel discussion will provide guidance and insight regarding law firm formation, capital funding, technology maintenance, insurance coverage, marketing techniques, and ethical concerns.

**MEGAN RHA** immigrated to the United States from South Korea when she was nine years old, educated within the New York City public school system and went upstate to study at Cornell University as a History major. She proceeded to study law at St. John's University school of Law as a full merit scholarship recipient. She practiced law for many years as an Assistant District Attorney for Nassau County, NY and prosecuted various kinds of criminal cases including charges related to sex offenses, narcotics sales, burglary, robbery, assault, fraud and identity theft. Several years ago, she and another female former prosecutor founded the law firm of RHA & KIM, LLP based in Bayside, Queens, NY. The firm represents individuals and business organizations in state and federal courts, as well as before administrative bodies, in civil and criminal proceedings/trials. Together with her husband, Ms. Rha parents five children - ages ranging from 11 years to 2 years.

**PAULINE YEUNG-HA** is a Partner with the law firm of Grimaldi & Yeung LLP. Ms. Yeung-Ha concentrates in the practice areas of Trusts, Wills and Estates as well as Special Needs and Medicaid planning. She received her undergraduate degree from Vassar College and her law degree from St. John's University School of Law. She is admitted to practice in both New York and New Jersey. Ms. Yeung-Ha serves as 2nd District Delegate and Vice-Chair of the Trusts and Estates Administration Committee in the Elder Law Section of the New York State Bar Association, and as Co-Chair of the Small Practice and Solo Firm Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York. She is also a member of the Brooklyn Bar Association, the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association, and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA).

Ms. Yeung-Ha began her professional career with the pioneer firm of Freedman Fish & Grimaldi LLP. She is a frequent lecturer for groups and organizations such as the New York City Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, SUNY Downstate Medical Center, NYC Department for the Aging, and the National Association of Asian American Professionals. Ms. Yeung-Ha has been invited to conduct radio talk shows in Cantonese and Mandarin Chinese.

Ms. Yeung-Ha was invited as key speaker for NYC Councilman, Vincent Gentile's Town Hall Meeting in May 2009, and key speaker for Assemblywoman Grace Meng's Senior Law & Financial Planning Workshop in October 2009 and February 2010. In September 2010, Ms. Yeung-Ha was awarded with a Citation by Assemblywoman Grace Meng in appreciation of her continued service and support to the Asian community. The New York Times' journalist, Anemona Hartocollis, quoted Ms. Yeung-Ha in a December 2010 article "Full Wallets, but Using Health Programs for Poor". Further, on June 12, 2011, Ms. Yeung-Ha was featured in World Journal, a Chinese newspaper, on Medicaid eligibility.

Ms. Yeung-Ha also provides Continuing Legal Education for the Trusts and Estates Section and Elder Law Section of the New York State Bar Association as well as the Asian Bar Association of New York. Ms. Yeung-Ha served as the Co-Chair in the Elder Law Section's 2011 Annual Meeting. Recently, she has been selected as a Super Lawyer's New York Rising Star for 2011, which will be announced in New York Times.

Ms. Yeung-Ha is a Board Member and Counsel for the Chinese American Alzheimer's Coalition of New York City.

#### **CHRISTOPHER W. CHAN, ESQ.**

Christopher W. Chan, Esq. (Moderator) is a past President of the Asian-American Bar Association of New York ("AABANY"). He obtained his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Columbia University (1977) and his Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law (1980). Mr. Chan is admitted to practice in New York State and in the U. S. District Courts for the Southern, Eastern, Northern, and Eastern Districts of New York. He is also admitted to practice in the U. S. District Court of Connecticut, among other federal district courts around the United States, and in the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit of New York.

Mr. Chan began his legal career as an associate at two medium sized law firms, both of which specialized in insurance defense. He then was a partner in a two-person firm in Chinatown, New York handling a variety of litigation matters from landlord and tenant to bankruptcy and civil claims. During the mid to late 1980's, he handled more than 125 amnesty applications under the then applicable immigration laws. Beginning in the late 1980's to the present, his practice has focused exclusively on criminal defense work in New York State courts as well as in federal courts throughout New York State and the country, including, but not limited to North Carolina, Delaware, Kentucky, and Ohio. He has handled federal criminal matters both pre- and post-Sentencing Guidelines.

Prior to serving as the President of AABANY, Mr. Chan was active in the Association and in the Asian community for many years, serving on the Issues Committee and the Asian Crime Victims Project. He continues to serve his community in a variety of areas. He is perhaps best known for conducting workshops for first year law students in analyzing and writing law school exams. He also tutors Asian-American law students who are re-taking the bar exam, polishing their writing styles and deepening their analytical skills to insure their success on the bar exam and to launch their legal careers. He has also developed an inter-active workshop on networking which gets students actively involved and helps to dissolve any anxiety about meeting new people. He has mentored generations of law students throughout the years, and is called upon by many for advice in choosing and changing career paths. Mr. Chan frequently participates in continuing legal education programs to enhance the professionalism of attorneys and secure quality service for the community. He is active in local politics, striving to promote Asian-Americans and other minorities to the bench, as well as to insure equal and fair access to the courts by all people of color.

Perhaps Mr. Chan's most memorable motto, in regards to the advancement of Asians in the legal profession, is that he wants "chopsticks in every office". Simply put, wherever there is a need for lawyers, in the public, private, or corporate sectors or in the judicial, legislative or executive branches of government, there is an opportunity for Asian American lawyers to make significant contributions. Mr. Chan believes that Asian-Americans are important threads which contribute to the fabric of America.

## **RIO GUERRERO**

Attorney Guerrero is renowned for successfully representing companies, organizations and individuals with complicated U.S. visa, work permit, and "green card" matters. In particular, he is respected for achieving creative solutions for the most complex immigration cases. His individual clients include foreign investors, health care professionals, persons with extraordinary ability in the arts, sciences and business, corporate executives and managers, and other professionals. He also provides corporate clients with services to ensure compliance with U.S. immigration and labor laws, including I-9, LCA and PERM internal audits.

Since 2007, he has taught as an Adjunct Professor of immigration law at the City University of New York - School of Professional Studies. He is an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), where he serves on the National Committee on Health Care Professionals, as well as the Corporate Immigration Committee and the U.S. Department of Labor Committee for the New York AILA Chapter. He founded and currently Co-Chairs the Asian American Bar Association of New York (AABANY) Immigration and Nationality Law Committee.

Further, he frequently serves as a speaker at continuing legal education seminars and other pro bono events, concerning U.S. employment-based immigration law, such as EB-5 "green cards," "E" investment/trade visas, health care professionals (nurses, physical / occupational therapists, and physicians), H-1B professional employee visas, PERM Labor Certification and I-9 compliance. He has authored and published articles in newspapers and other periodicals concerning various U.S. immigration laws and procedures. He has served as a U.S. immigration law expert witness before the New Jersey State Superior Court System.

Attorney Guerrero is authorized to represent clients in all fifty United States and abroad. He is admitted to practice law in the States of New York and New Jersey, the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

## **VINOO P. VARGHESE**

**Mr. Varghese** is the principal at Varghese & Associates, P.C., where he specializes in criminal defense and asset forfeiture matters in both federal and state courts. He has tried over 25 criminal cases to verdict, and written 10 appellate briefs, four of which he has argued in the appellate courts. He also represents numerous clients under investigation by both federal and state authorities. Mr. Varghese is a member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL). Prior to starting his own practice, he served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Kings County District Attorney's Office. In 2005, District Attorney Charles J. Hynes honored Mr. Varghese by naming him "Senior Assistant District Attorney." Mr. Hynes subsequently appointed him to run the "Assault on Police Officers Program," through which he investigated and prosecuted attempted murders of NYPD officers in Brooklyn. He is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the Second Circuit, the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and New York State. Mr. Varghese received his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School and B.A. from New York University. He is a former director of both the South Asian Bar Association of New York (SABANY) and the North American South Asian Bar Association (NASABA). Mr. Varghese chairs the Solo and Small Firm Practice Committee at the New York County Lawyers' Association (NYCLA). He participates in Judge Denny Chin's historical reenactments for AABANY at NAPABA conferences.

## **TIMOTHY K. WONG (Moderator)**

Mr. Wong is the principal of the Law Offices of Timothy K. Wong, PLLC. He is both an attorney (admitted in NY and NJ) and a NYS CPA. He was a controller at several well-known hedge funds, and has worked at world-class organizations (IBM, EY, Deloitte, etc.). Mr. Wong was the past Treasurer of the Asian American Bar Association of New York and is a current Co-Chair of the Small Firm/Solo Practice Committee of AABANY. Mr. Wong's practice focuses on tax controversies and related disputes, Medicaid fraud, real estate and business transactions, estate planning, mergers and acquisitions and other business related specialties. He is a graduate of St. John's University School of Law and Bernard M. Baruch College, CUNY. He is also fluent in Cantonese and Mandarin.

## **Blazing a Trail to the Legal Academy: APAs as Law Professors (Room B)**

*Presented by the AABANY Academic Committee*

**Panelists:** Prof. Adil Ahmad Haque - Rutgers School of Law  
Prof. Shane Dizon - Hofstra University School of Law  
Prof. Anjum Gupta - Rutgers School of Law  
Alanna Rutherford - Boies, Schiller & Flexner; Adjunct Professor, University of Connecticut School of Law

Moderator: Prof. Elaine Chiu - Chair, AABANY Academic Committee

While law schools have certainly become more diverse in their student bodies and faculties, more work remains to be done. This program, featuring a panel of doctrinal, clinical, academic support and adjunct professors, will focus on the accomplishments and continuing challenges of minority law professors and discuss best practices for how they can continue to break down barriers and take charge of their careers on the path to success. Learn about the real work of law professors, the continuing needs for diversity in legal education, what law schools are looking for in new faculty members, and how to navigate the hiring process and teaching market.

**ELAINE M. CHIU**, Professor of Law (Moderator)

Professor Chiu's latest article entitled, *That Guy's A Batterer: A Scarlet Letter Approach to Domestic Violence in the Information Age*, has recently been published in the *Family Law Quarterly*. It proposes a preemptive tool against domestic violence through the creation of publicly accessible domestic violence registries. She is currently working on several new projects including child marriages in the United States and the movement against male circumcision. Professor Chiu's scholarship has focused on some of the most difficult issues in contemporary criminal justice. Her past articles have discussed the schizophrenic nature of our domestic violence policies, the role of motive in prosecuting low level drug offenders, the need for honest consideration of culture and the dangers of criminalizing female genital cuttings.

Professor Chiu is the chairperson of the Planning Committee of the Northeast People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference. This is an annual event that gathers legal academics of color from across the country to discuss issues and topics of importance to communities of color. This year NEPOC will be jointly held along with CAPALF (Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty) and will be at Hofstra University School of Law on November 4th and 5th, 2011. Prior to coming to St. John's, Professor Chiu was a Research Fellow at Columbia University School of Law from 2000-2001 and a Climenko-Thayer Teaching Fellow at Harvard Law School from 1999-2000. From 1994 to 1998, she was an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan in the Trial Division where she specialized in both domestic violence and welfare fraud cases. Professor Chiu also taught as an Adjunct Professor at Yeshiva University's Cardozo Law School as part of their legal writing and research faculty from 1998-1999.

Professor Chiu is a cum laude graduate of Cornell University (A.B. 1991) and Columbia University School of Law (J.D. 1994) where she was a Senior Editor of the *Columbia Law Review* and a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. Professor Chiu teaches Introduction to Law, Criminal Law, Family Law and the Contemporary Criminal Justice seminar.

**SHANE DIZON** is currently the Assistant Director of the Academic Success Program and a Visiting Assistant Professor at Hofstra University School of Law. A noted business immigration scholar, he was the Kauffman Foundation Legal Research Fellow at New York University School of Law for the 2010-2011 academic year, focusing on the intersection of immigration law and entrepreneurship. Professor Dizon is also co-author with Anna Marie Gallagher of *Immigration Law Service 2d*, a multi-volume immigration treatise published by Thomson West. His prior professional experience includes employment as an Associate at the New York office of Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen, & Loewy, LLP, as well as scholarship and invited presentations on business, family, and survey immigration topics. Outside the classroom, Professor Dizon has had teaching experience in a variety of settings: as a law school teaching assistant in immigration law, legal writing, and academic support; as a tutor, curriculum developer, and study aids author in the academic and test preparation industry; and as a CLE speaker. He also serves as an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Business Law and Negotiation at Brooklyn College and on the Advisory Board of the Pro Bono Project's Federal Legal Assistance and Self-Help Center for the U.S. District Court in the Northern District of California's San Jose Division. Shane obtained his bachelor's degree in psychology from Yale University in 2000 and his J.D. degree, cum laude, from the University of California Hastings College of the Law in 2005. He is a member of the state bars of California and New York.

**ANJUM GUPTA**, Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Gupta received her B.A. with high honors in psychology and women's studies from the University of Michigan—Ann Arbor and her J.D. from Yale Law School, where she was an Equal Justice America Fellow, Director of the Temporary Restraining Order Project Domestic Violence Clinic, Director of the Rebellious Lawyering Conference, and an editorial board member of the *Yale Journal of Law and Feminism*. She also worked at the ACLU Immigrant Rights Project and the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Professor Gupta clerked for the Honorable Chester J. Straub of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Honorable Charles P. Sifton of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

Prior to joining the Rutgers faculty, Professor Gupta served as Assistant Professor of Law and Director of the Immigrant Rights Clinic at the University of Baltimore School of Law, where she supervised students representing immigrants seeking various forms of relief before the Department of Homeland Security, the immigration courts, the Board of Immigration Appeals, and the federal courts of appeals. She also served as a Clinical Teaching Fellow in the Center for Applied Legal Studies at Georgetown Law, where she supervised students representing asylum seekers. She began her law teaching career as a Clinical Fellow at the Center for Social Justice at Seton Hall University School of Law, where she supervised students and represented clients in cases involving asylum, human trafficking, domestic violence, immigrant labor rights, and criminal immigration issues. She also authored an amicus brief to the United States Supreme Court and traveled to Haiti as part of the Haiti Rule of Law Project. Professor Gupta's scholarship focuses on immigration and refugee law, with a particular focus on gender-based claims for relief.

**RECENT PUBLICATIONS:**

- "Doctrinal Mutilation: The Board of Immigration Appeals' Flawed Analysis of the 'Continuing Persecution' Doctrine in Claims Based on Past Female Genital Mutilation," 23 *Geo. Immigr. L.J.* 39 (2008)
- "Abuse of (Plenary) Power? Judicial Deference and the Post-9/11 War on Immigrants," in *Awakening from the Dream: Civil Rights Under Siege and the New Struggle for Equal Justice* (with Lori A. Nessel) (Denise C. Morgan, Rachel D. Godsil, and Joy Moses, eds.) (Carolina Academic Press, 2006)

**ADIL AHMAD HAQUE** - Associate Professor of Law

Professor Haque joined the faculty in the Fall of 2008 as an Assistant Professor of Law. His scholarship focuses on criminal law, international criminal law, and the law of armed conflict.

Professor Haque received his J.D. in 2005 from Yale Law School, where he was executive editor of the *Yale Journal of International Law* and senior editor of the *Yale Law Journal*. From 2005 to 2006, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable Jon O. Newman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. For two years prior to joining the faculty at Rutgers School of Law–Newark, Professor Haque was an associate in the New York office of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, where he focused on white-collar criminal investigations and prisoners' rights litigation.

Professor Haque is a member of the Associate Graduate Faculty of the Rutgers University Department of Philosophy as well as a peer reviewer for the journal *Law & Philosophy*.

**RECENT PUBLICATIONS:**

- "Protecting and Respecting Civilians: Correcting the Substantive and Structural Defects of the Rome Statute," 14 *New Criminal Law Review* (forthcoming 2011)
- "Criminal Justice and Democratic Legitimacy," 5 *Criminal Law & Philosophy* (forthcoming 2011)
- "Criminal Law and Morality at War" in *Philosophical Foundations of Criminal Law* (R.A. Duff and Stuart P. Green, eds.) (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2011)
- "International Crime: in Context and in Contrast" in *Structures of Criminal Law* (R.A. Duff, Lindsay Farmer, Sandra Marshall and Victor Tadros, eds.) (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2011)
- "Proportionality (in War)" in *The International Encyclopedia of Ethics* (Hugh LaFollette et al., eds.) (Wiley-Blackwell, forthcoming 2011)

**ALANNA RUTHERFORD** is a partner at the Boies, Schiller & Flexner. Her primary areas of practice are antitrust and complex civil litigation. She has participated in a number of major litigations, including the trial teams for:

- *AIG v. Starr Int'l Corp.*, where BSF obtained a jury verdict successfully defending the Starr charitable organization and Maurice "Hank" Greenberg against AIG's claim of \$4.3 billion of stock in damages that it claimed Mr. Greenberg and Starr had promised and owed to AIG in trust;
- *SR Int'l Business Ins. Co. v. World Trade Center Properties LLC*, where BSF obtained a jury verdict in federal district court in 2004 on behalf of Lloyds of London in the World Trade Center insurance trial that helped determine whether the Silverstein Parties were entitled to one payout or two following the events of 9/11; and
- In the Matter of New York Stock Exchange Archipelago Merger Litigation, where BSF represented Goldman Sachs, who served as facilitator for the merger between the two exchanges. The case ultimately settled following the testimony of Goldman's key witness.

Ms. Rutherford also participated in crafting the legal strategy in *American Express v. Visa & MasterCard*, an antitrust case against the two dominate credit card organizations and several of the banks which issue their cards. The resolution of the case resulted in one of the largest case settlements in history with \$4 billion to be collected by her client over time.

Ms. Rutherford continues to work for several of the Firm's major clients including American Express, Barclays Capital, E.I. DuPont de Nemours & Co., Goldman Sachs, and the New York Jets.

Prior to arriving at the Firm, Ms. Rutherford clerked for Judge Charles Wilson on the Eleventh Circuit. Ms. Rutherford attended Columbia University School of Law, where she was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and senior editor of the Columbia Law Review, Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service, and the Institute of Political Studies ("Sciences Po") in Paris, France.

Ms. Rutherford is fluent in French and conversant in Spanish. She has lived in France, Jamaica, New Zealand, the Philippines, the United States and Zambia before college.

## **Social Media II – E-discovery Issues of Social Media and Cloud Computing (Room C)**

*Presented by the AABANY Government & Public Sector and Litigation Committees*

Panelists: Mark A. Berman - Ganfer & Shore, LLP  
Nolan M. Goldberg - Proskauer Rose LLP

Moderators: Richard Tsai, Co-Chair, AABANY Government and Public Sector Committee  
Will Ng, Co-Chair, AABANY Government and Public Sector Committee, AABANY Board of Directors

With the growing popularity of social media sites, information posted on these sites is now being sought for use in litigation. This program will address the types of information kept by social media outlets, such as Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, and the legal issues related to obtaining discovery from social media outlets. This program will also cover the issues raised by cloud computing, which covers everything from e-discovery and privacy to intellectual property.

### **MARK A. BERMAN**

Mark A. Berman is a partner in the Litigation Practice of Ganfer & Shore, LLP. He is a seasoned litigator whose practice focuses on representing corporations and individuals in complex commercial civil litigation with an emphasis on real estate and securities matters. Prior to joining Ganfer & Shore, he was an associate in the litigation department at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP and clerked for United States Magistrate Judge Michael L. Orenstein for the Eastern District of New York.

Mr. Berman counsels clients in a variety of litigation matters on both the plaintiff and defendant's side, including having represented a Fortune 500 company in a malicious prosecution case; a concierge company in an antitrust dispute and in a class action defense; real estate developers in connection with demolition of buildings, new construction and air rights disputes; plaintiffs and defendants in Rule 10b-5 disputes under the securities laws; condominiums and cooperatives relating to construction defects and shareholder disputes; companies on indemnification and contribution claims; sponsors in connection with disputes with cooperative board of directors; an assignee for the benefit of creditors; a major New York City hotel in connection with breach of its lease; high net-worth individuals relating to disputes with their business partners, brokers, and brokerage firms; and individuals and companies in connection with wrongful termination of employment and consulting agreements. He has been recognized as a "New York Super Lawyer" for 2008-2011.

Mr. Berman has written and spoken on electronic discovery issues before the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the New York State Judicial Institute. He has been appointed by Chief Administrative Judge Ann Pfau as a member of New York State E-Discovery Working Group advising the New York State Unified Court System. Since 2005, Mr. Berman has had a column in The New York Law Journal addressing electronic discovery under New York State law. He is also the Secretary of the E-Discovery Committee of the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section of the New York State Bar Association.

Mr. Berman is a 1986 graduate of Columbia College and a 1990 magna cum laude graduate of Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, where he was a member of the Moot Court Board and was awarded the Order of the Barrister.

Mr. Berman is a member of the Litigation Section of the American Bar Association, Association of the Bar of the City of New York, the Federal Bar Council Second Circuit Courts Committee, the Commercial Division Law Reporter Committee of the New York State Bar Association and the Professional and Judicial Ethics Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. Mark lives in Manhattan with his wife and two sons.

### **NOLAN M. GOLDBERG**

Mr. Goldberg is a Senior Counsel in the Litigation & Dispute Resolution Department and a member of the Patent Law Group at Proskauer Rose LLP. As an intellectual property litigator, his practice focuses on patent, trademark, and trade secret litigation and counseling.

Nolan's work has included patent and trade secret litigations and negotiations concerning optical cross-connects; voice-over Internet protocol ("VoIP"); bar code scanners; computer networking; financial business methods and software, including securities settlement, fail management and trade execution and reporting software; data storage; handheld computers; least-cost routing; pharmaceuticals; cardiac electro-stimulatory devices and prosthetics. Nolan also has experience prosecuting patent applications before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in encryption, CMOS, HDTV, virtual private networks ("VPN"), e-commerce, XML/XSL, financial instruments, semiconductor electronics, medical device technology, inventory control and analysis, cellular communications, Check 21 and business methods. Nolan also has conducted numerous freedom-to-operate searches, written opinions, and counseled clients in the areas of bar code scanners, imaging, book publishing, computer networking, business methods, Power Over Ethernet ("PoE"), and digital content distribution. He has assisted in evaluating patents for inclusion in patent pools involving large consumer electronics and entertainment companies concerning CD and DVD technology.

As a founding member of the Litigation Department's Electronic Discovery Task Force at Proskauer, Nolan is often called upon to develop e-discovery strategies to be used in all types of litigations, with a particular focus on selecting appropriate tools, developing proportionate discovery plans, cross border electronic discovery, managing the overall burden and cost of the electronic discovery process, and obtaining often overlooked electronic evidence, including computer forensics. Nolan also assists clients to develop and implement information management programs to reduce expense and risk, meet compliance obligations, and tame e-discovery burdens.

Through active participation in industry events, such as Interop, the CloudLaw Summit (London), Cloud Connect, Enterprise 2.0, O'Reilly's Strata, and the Computer Security Institute's (CSI's) Annual and SX conferences, Nolan stays on the cutting edge of key developments in IP and technology, such as those raised by emerging cloud computing, borderless computing, and Big Data technologies. Nolan has authored numerous articles and given numerous presentations on emerging issues and trends in both technology and law, and has often been called upon to comment on various media outlets including Business Week, IPlaw360, IT Business Edge, CIO.com, Forbes, and The National Law Journal.

Nolan is also the primary author of the e-discovery section of the International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution's model economical litigation agreement, colloquially known as the "Litigation Prenup." Prior to practicing law, Nolan was a computer specialist at Underwriters Laboratories (UL). He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Polytechnic University and received his J.D. from Hofstra University School of Law.

#### **WILLIAM H. NG**

Mr. Ng is an Assistant Corporation Counsel with the Office of the Corporation Counsel, New York City Law Department. Mr. Ng currently works in the Labor & Employment Law Division, where he defends the City of New York and its employees in matters relating to employment discrimination claims. Prior to joining the Labor & Employment Law Division, Mr. Ng spent four years in the Tort Division where he tried numerous jury and non-jury negligence cases, took and defended over 225 depositions and drafted over 60 summary judgment motions on various negligence matters, including false arrest and malicious prosecution claims, uniformed services claims, wrongful death actions, negligent supervision claims, motor vehicle accidents and premise liability accidents.

Mr. Ng is a member of the Asian American Bar Association of New York (AABANY), where he currently serves as the Recording Secretary and co-chair of the Young Lawyers, Government & Public Sector, and Communications Committees. He is also a member of the New York City Law Department's Diversity Committee and serves as Vice-Chairperson of the Young Lawyers Committee for the Queens County Bar Association. Mr. Ng is admitted into practice in the State of New York, State of New Jersey, and the United States District Court, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. Mr. Ng is a graduate of the State University of New York at Binghamton (B.A., cum laude, 2004) and St. John's University School of Law (J.D., 2007).

#### **RICHARD TSAI**

Richard Tsai is the Principal Court Attorney to Justice Michael D. Stallman of the Civil Branch of the Supreme Court of New York, New York County. As a court attorney, he assists Justice Stallman with research and drafting decisions, and with discovery conferences. Prior to joining Justice Stallman's chambers, he worked as a court attorney in a department that handles pre-trial matters for all of the justices of the Civil Branch of the Supreme Court of New York County. Richard is a graduate of Stanford University, and he holds a joint degree in American and French law from Cornell Law School and the Université de Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne. He is admitted to bar of the State of New York.

**LUNCHEON**  
**12:30 – 2:00 pm**

Speaker: Sharon Hom, Executive Director, Human Rights in China

**SHARON HOM**, Executive Director of Human Rights in China, professor of law emerita, City University of New York School of Law, leads HRIC's human rights and media advocacy and strategic policy engagement with NGOs, governments, and multi-stakeholder initiatives. She has testified on a variety of human rights issues before key U.S. and international policymakers. She has appeared as guest and commentator in broadcast programs worldwide and is frequently interviewed by and quoted in major print media. She was named by the *Wall Street Journal* as one of 2007's "50 Women to Watch" for their impact on business. Hom taught law for 18 years, including training judges, lawyers, and law teachers at eight law schools in China over a 14-year period in the 1980s and 1990s. Her publications include chapters in *Gender Equality, Citizenship and Human Rights: Controversies and challenges in China and the Nordic countries* (2010), and *China's Great Leap: The Beijing Games and Olympian Human Rights Challenges* (2008). She is co-author of *Contracting Law* (1996, 2000, 2005), editor of *Chinese Women Traversing Diaspora: Memoirs, Essays, and Poetry* (1999), and co-editor of *Challenging China: Struggle and Hope in an Era of Change* (2007).

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**PANEL SESSION 3**  
**2:15 pm – 3:45 pm**

**Valuation in Litigation -- An Introduction (Room B)**

*Presented by the AABANY Litigation and Women's Committees*

Panelists: Howard Chen - UB & Co.  
Yingcong Lan - Cornerstone Research  
Paul Zurek - Cornerstone Research; Fellow, Wharton Financial Institutions Center

Valuation issues arise in a variety of ways in litigation, even in the simplest of cases. Some examples of matters that may call for valuation include cases involving corporate transactions such as mergers and acquisitions, financial securities, equity interests, intellectual property, etc. The session will review the Discounted Cash Flow ("DCF") methodology, the standard income-based approach to valuation, as well as the Comparables Methodology, the standard market-based approach to valuation.

**HOWARD CHEN** specializes in corporate law. Mr. Chen has represented and represents a diverse set of clients in different industries advising clients in a variety of matters ranging from corporate formation to branding and regulatory issues to corporate structuring and transactions.

Prior to his career as an attorney, Mr. Chen worked as a consultant helping companies develop growth strategies specializing in the media and technology industry. Howard Chen has a J.D. from New England School of Law and is a member of the Phi Delta Phi international legal fraternity.

**YINGCONG LAN** has extensive experience analyzing economics and finance issues in financial institution, valuation, securities and bankruptcy matters. She is Senior Manager at Cornerstone Research.

Dr. Lan's research interests include asset pricing, corporate finance, financial institutions and risk management. At Cornerstone Research, Dr. Lan has provided financial, econometric, and corporate governance analyses in matters related to publicly traded and privately held equities and bonds; mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities; options and derivatives; mutual funds; hedge funds, venture capital, and private equity, merger and acquisition transactions, valuation of commodity derivative and foreign exchange options.

Dr. Lan holds a PhD. in Financial Economics from Stanford University. She has coauthored papers on topics related to hedge funds, investor protection, investment and firm valuation.

**PAUL ZUREK** is a financial economist specializing in asset pricing and risk management in commercial litigation. He is Associate at Cornerstone Research and a Fellow at the Wharton Financial Institutions Center.

Dr. Zurek's research and teaching interests include asset pricing, financial econometrics, financial institutions and risk management. In his consulting work at Cornerstone Research, he has been involved in litigation involving valuation of both financial assets and institutions such as hedge funds, failures of risk management, foreign exchange trading, trading fraud, and fair value accounting.

Dr. Zurek holds a PhD. in Finance from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania where he worked on macroeconomic explanations of asset market phenomena including the equity risk premium and the momentum effect.

**General Counsel Roundtable – Changing Role of the GC in a Changing Environment (Room A)**

*Presented by the AABANY In-House Counsel Committee*

Panelists: Vernon G. Chu - BBC Worldwide Americas  
Myung Kang Huneke - Sesame Workshop  
Bobby Liu - MD Sass Investors, Inc., AABANY Board of Directors  
Don H. Liu - Xerox Corporation

Moderator: Robert W. Leung - Co-Chair, Professional Development Committee, AABANY Immediate Past President

The panel of GCs will address a variety of issues related to the role of the GC resulting from changes in the financial, regulatory and legal landscape, including: managing risk for the organization, implementing or overseeing corporate governance and ensuring compliance, addressing internal and external challenges, managing its role and relationship with management and directors, serving as chief legal officer and business advisor, and obtaining perspectives on the requirements for being a successful in-house attorney and how to become a GC.

**VERNON G. CHU** has been the head of the legal department of BBC Worldwide Americas (BBCWA), since July 1999. He joined BBCWA in December 1995 as director of business and legal affairs. He is responsible for all legal matters affecting BBCWA in the United States, Canada and South America. He coordinates policy issues with BBC Worldwide in London such as fair-trading, trademark and copyright policy. He is responsible for the legal aspects of BBCWA's cable channel, BBC America, its content and production business which produces US network shows such as Dancing With The Stars, Top Gear and Torchwood, its television licensing business, BBCWA's consumer products business, which includes DVD and electronic distribution, the BBC Direct marketing and catalogue business and BBCWA's global licensing and digital entertainment and gaming business. BBCWA is the wholly owned subsidiary of BBC Worldwide Limited, the commercial consumer arm of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC).

He is a member of the British Academy of Film and Television Arts New York serving as a Director, Secretary and member of the Executive Committee, the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, the Association of Media and Entertainment Counsel, the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, the Asian American Bar Association of New York, and the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund.

In December 2007, he was selected as the 2007 Counsel of the Year by the Association of Media and Entertainment Counsel. The award is presented to a general counsel or chief legal officer who has exemplified a distinguished record of legal, management and organizational skills by a panel consisting of senior in-house counsel and business affairs attorneys at the top entertainment and media companies.

Before joining BBCWA, he had been an associate with Kay Collyer & Boose in New York City from 1989-1995. As an attorney, his responsibilities included negotiating production and distribution agreements with networks, cable and public broadcasters and financing agreements for production of motion pictures, television series, specials and documentaries.

From 1986-1989 he was a corporate associate at Spengler, Carlson, Gubar, Brodsky & Frischling in New York City. He was admitted to the Bar in 1987.

He was graduated from the Wharton School in Philadelphia in 1982 with a degree in accounting and economics. In 1985 he received his MBA from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. A year later, he graduated Cum Laude from Cornell Law School. He lives in Forest Hills, New York with his wife and two sons. He is a native of New York City.

**MYUNG KANG-HUNEKE** joined Sesame Workshop's legal department thirteen years ago, providing legal services for its new media and publishing projects and its corporate sponsorship team. Most recently, she served as Executive Vice President and General Counsel, and she developed Sesame Workshop's Product Safety Assurance Program. Additionally, Kang-Huneke was responsible for supporting the expansion of Sesame Workshop brands through content and product licensing as well as promotional, retail and representation agreements both domestically and internationally.

Prior to joining the Workshop, Kang-Huneke was an attorney for the New Media and Cable Group at ABC, Inc. (The Walt Disney Company) where she handled legal and business affairs for ABC's new media ventures. Previously, she was a litigation attorney for ABC, Inc. and represented the company and its affiliates throughout the country in First Amendment and other litigation matters. Kang-Huneke also served as a litigator for the New York City Housing Authority. She began her legal career as an associate for the law firm of Proskauer Rose in New York City. Kang-Huneke graduated from the Columbia University School of Law as a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.

**ROBERT W. LEUNG** (Moderator) is a partner at Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP. His main practice areas include corporate finance, commercial lending, joint ventures, restructurings, mergers and acquisitions, and structured and project finance. Mr. Leung has extensive experience in cross-border transactions, particularly in Latin America, having advised clients on significant cross-border strategic and financing transactions.

Recent transactions for which Mr. Leung has been primarily responsible include, representing borrowers and lenders in secured and unsecured financings; representing companies in joint venture negotiations; representing purchasers and sellers in M&A transactions; representing project companies with multiple sponsors in multi-source emerging market project financings in the oil and gas and mining industries; representing project companies in greenfield power projects; representing private investment funds in a broad range of transactions; and advising major corporations on general corporate matters, including in particular corporate governance matters and contract interpretation issues.

Mr. Leung has served on the Board of Directors of the Asian American Bar Association of New York (AABANY) from 2006 to present. Mr. Leung served as President of AABANY in 2010. He currently serves on the Board as Immediate Past President.

**BOBBY LIU** is the Senior Vice President and General Counsel of M.D. Sass. Mr. Liu is responsible for all legal, regulatory and compliance matters affecting the M.D. Sass organization, which includes a number of registered and unregistered investment advisers and one registered broker dealer. Mr. Liu also oversees the human resources and client services departments. The M.D. Sass organization currently has over \$6 billion in assets under management. M.D. Sass offers both traditional and alternative investment strategies in the form of private equity funds, hedge funds and separately managed accounts, and M.D. Sass also incubates emerging investment managers.

Prior to joining M.D. Sass, Mr. Liu was the General Counsel of Och-Ziff Capital Management Group, a global institutional alternative asset management firm that primarily manages hedge funds and private equity funds. Och-Ziff represents one of the largest alternative asset managers in the world, with currently over \$26 billion in assets under management.

From 1996 to 2003, Mr. Liu was a corporate associate at Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton in New York City and Hong Kong, specializing in capital markets and mergers and acquisitions transactions. He was admitted to the Bar in 1997.

Mr. Liu graduated summa cum laude from the State University of New York at Binghamton in 1993 with a B.A. in Economics and History. He received his J.D. from New York University School of Law in 1996.

**DON H. LIU** is Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for Xerox Corporation. In this role, reporting directly to Ursula M. Burns, Chairman and CEO, he is responsible for all of Xerox's legal and government affairs.

Prior to joining Xerox, Mr. Liu was Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer for Toll Brothers, Inc. and previously Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of IKON Office Solutions, where he was also IKON's Corporate Compliance Officer and Chair of IKON Diversity Council. Before joining IKON, Mr. Liu was Vice President and Deputy Chief Legal Officer of Aetna U.S. Healthcare (and its predecessor entity, U.S. Healthcare). Prior to becoming in-house counsel, he worked as an associate at two New York City law firms from 1987 to 1992, specializing in securities and mergers and acquisitions – first at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett and then at Richards & O'Neil (now Bingham McCutchen).

He served as a Law Clerk to Justice Stewart G. Pollock at the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

His professional affiliations include being a member and the former Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Minority Corporate Counsel Association (a non-profit organization promoting diversity in the practice of law); Vice Chair Person of the Asian American Diversity Advisory Council and a member of the Executive Committee of the Joint Diversity Council, Comcast Corporation; a member of the New York Stock Exchange Commission on Corporate Governance; a former member of the Board of Directors of Association of Corporate Counsel (a worldwide association of in-house attorneys); a founder and a member of the Advisory Board of MoreBank (an ethnic community bank); a member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Bar Foundation; a member of the American Law Institute; a former member of the Board of Trustees of Mercy Health System (a Catholic hospital chain); a former member of the Board of Directors of the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (a civil right organization focused on protecting the rights of Asian Americans); and, former Chair of the In-House Counsel Committee of National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (national organization for Asian American attorneys).

He is the recipient of America's Top General Counsel Honor from NYSE Euronext's Corporate Board Member, Connecticut Law Tribune's Legal Department of the Year – In-House Counsel Management Award, MCCA/America Lawyer Media Diversity Award, the Edwin Archer Randolph Diversity Award from the Lawyers Collaborative for Diversity, the Spirit of Asian America Award from the Asian American Federation, the Diversity Award from ABA's Council on Legal Education Opportunity, the Justice in Action Award from the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, the ICON Award from the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, the Founders Award from the Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts, the Achievement Award from Asian Pacific American Lawyers Association of New Jersey, and the Business Leadership Award from the Korean American Coalition.

Born in Seoul, Korea, Mr. Liu and his family immigrated to the U.S. in 1972. He received his B.A. degree in Philosophy and Religion from Haverford College with Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa honors. He earned his J.D. from Columbia University School of Law, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. Mr. Liu and his wife and two children reside in Westport, CT.

## **Journey of the Women Lawyer-Entrepreneurs (Room D)**

*Presented by the AABANY Women's Committee and Solo & Small Firm Committee*

Panelists: Jane Chuang - Yim & Chuang LLP, Co-Chair, AABANY Intellectual Property Committee  
Audrey Lee - Hyun & Associates  
Vanessa Pagán - Vanessa I. Pagán Law PLLC[LINDA ARE THERE ANY MORE?]

Moderator/Panelist: Pauline Yeung-Ha - Co-Chair, AABANY Solo & Small Firm Committee

This program will feature a talented panel of women attorneys and entrepreneurs who have journeyed into solo/small firm practice or into forming their own business. Our panelists will share experiences and offer perspectives on the unique issues and challenges facing women lawyer entrepreneurs as they start and develop their businesses. They will also provide tips for guiding a business through the business world, overcoming professional barriers, and other issues. This program seeks to provide a forum for the exchange of skills, resources, and knowledge on these and other relevant topics affecting women lawyer-entrepreneurs.

### **JANE CHUANG**, Yim & Chuang LLP

Jane is a partner and co-founder of the Yim & Chuang LLP. She practices general litigation, with a focus on intellectual property law. Prior to founding the firm, Jane practiced law in the litigation department of Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP. She also served as law clerk to the Honorable Anne E. Thompson in the District of New Jersey from 2005 to 2006. She received her B.A., cum laude, from Columbia College, Columbia University. She received her J.D., cum laude, from Fordham University School of Law, where she served as a Notes and Articles Editor of the Fordham Law Review. Jane is admitted to practice in New York, New Jersey, the Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey. Jane is a co-chair of the Intellectual Property Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York.

### **AUDREY S. LEE**, Vice President, Executive Coach, Leadership and Diversity Strategist, Hyun & Associates

Audrey Lee, Vice President of Hyun & Associates, is leadership and diversity strategist, who consults with Fortune 500 companies to develop integrated leadership strategies that impact business practices throughout the organization. She expertly combines program facilitation, coaching, and leadership consulting practice with more than thirteen years of experience in marketing communications, product/program strategy, alliance and channel marketing. A seasoned stage performer of more than 20 years, she also integrates her on-stage experiences with her business and coaching strategies to create programs that focus on effective communications and presentation skills.

With her unique background, Audrey brings a global awareness and business focus to each training program. Her clients include professionals in a variety of Fortune 500 companies, including financial services, high-tech, media/communications, automotive and consumer products. She is the co-author of Hyun & Associates' "Through the Bamboo Ceiling<sup>®</sup>" Training Series and other highly-acclaimed leadership initiatives. She is a graduate of Georgetown University's Executive Certification Program in Leadership Coaching (accredited by the International Coaching Federation), and also holds degrees in Spanish and Music from Indiana University (Bloomington, IN).

Prior to joining Hyun & Associates, she managed key marketing initiatives in small and large high technology companies such as Adaptec, Fujitsu Computer Products of America, Network Peripherals, Philips Semiconductors, Philips Components and Raychem. In 1999, she began her own marketing practice, working with clients in multimedia, storage solutions and application service provider (ASP) industries.

A second-generation Chinese-American, she lives in New York City where she serves on the Board of Directors for the New York Asian Women's Center (NYAWC), an organization that helps battered women overcome violence, and also works to raise public awareness about domestic violence, advocate for the rights of battered women, and create an agenda for social change. Audrey also serves as an adjunct faculty member at Cornell University, ILR School.

### **VANESA PAGAN**, Esq., Vanessa I. Pagán Law PLLC

Vanessa Pagán is the Founder and Principal of Vanessa I. Pagán Law PLLC, a business immigration boutique law firm in New York City. Her practice focuses primarily on providing solutions to complex immigration matters for companies and individuals. Due to her wide range of immigration knowledge and experience, Vanessa has a diverse clientele and has been hired as an Expert Witness. She has represented small, large, and start-up companies, individual professionals, physicians, researchers, artists, and students as well as those seeking green cards through marriage. Prior to establishing her own practice, Vanessa was an Associate at a recognized corporate immigration firm and an Associate at a prominent New York-based physician immigration firm.

**PAULINE YEUNG-HA, Esq., Grimaldi & Yeung LLP (Panelist & Moderator)**

Pauline Yeung-Ha is a Partner with the law firm of Grimaldi & Yeung LLP.

Ms. Yeung-Ha concentrates in the practice areas of Trusts, Wills and Estates as well as Special Needs and Medicaid planning. She received her undergraduate degree from Vassar College and her law degree from St. John's University School of Law. She is admitted to practice in both New York and New Jersey. Ms. Yeung-Ha serves as 2nd District Delegate and Vice-Chair of the Trusts and Estates Administration Committee in the Elder Law Section of the New York State Bar Association, and as Co-Chair of the Small Practice and Solo Firm Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York. She is also a member of the Brooklyn Bar Association, the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association, and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA).

Ms. Yeung-Ha began her professional career with the pioneer firm of Freedman Fish & Grimaldi LLP. She is a frequent lecturer for groups and organizations such as the New York City Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, SUNY Downstate Medical Center, NYC Department for the Aging, and the National Association of Asian American Professionals. Ms. Yeung-Ha has been invited to conduct radio talk shows in Cantonese and Mandarin Chinese. Ms. Yeung-Ha was invited as key speaker for NYC Councilman, Vincent Gentile's Town Hall Meeting in May 2009, and key speaker for Assemblywoman Grace Meng's Senior Law & Financial Planning Workshop in October 2009 and February 2010. In September 2010, Ms. Yeung-Ha was awarded with a Citation by Assemblywoman Grace Meng in appreciation of her continued service and support to the Asian community. The New York Times' journalist, Anemona Hartocollis, quoted Ms. Yeung-Ha in a December 2010 article "Full Wallets, but Using Health Programs for Poor". Further, on June 12, 2011, Ms. Yeung-Ha was featured in World Journal, a Chinese newspaper, on Medicaid eligibility. Ms. Yeung-Ha also provides Continuing Legal Education for the Trusts and Estates Section and Elder Law Section of the New York State Bar Association as well as the Asian Bar Association of New York. Ms. Yeung-Ha served as the Co-Chair in the Elder Law Section's 2011 Annual Meeting. Recently, she has been selected as a Super Lawyer's New York Rising Star for 2011, which will be announced in New York Times.

Ms. Yeung-Ha is a Board Member and Counsel for the Chinese American Alzheimer's Coalition of New York City.

**Social Media III: Blawging- A Discussion About Legal Blogging (Room C)**

*Presented by the AABANY Student Outreach Committee and Young Lawyers Committee*

Panelists: Vivia Chen - The Careerist  
James Daily - Law and the Multiverse  
Russell Jackson - Consumer Class Actions and Mass Torts  
Scott Greenfield - Simple Justice

Moderators: Ben Chan - Co-Chair, AABANY Student Outreach Committee  
Dominic Mauro - Barely Legally

Should every lawyer have a blog? What makes a blog successful or unsuccessful? What are the ethical issues for blawgers who practice law? How will blogging change the practice of law? These are among the topics of discussion that will be covered by our diverse panel of experienced legal blawgers.

**VIVIA CHEN**

The Careerist's chief blogger, has been covering the business and culture of law firms for a decade. A former corporate lawyer, Chen is fascinated by those who thrive (as well as those who don't) in the legal profession. Her take: Success in the law (and life) doesn't always travel a linear path.

*About The Careerist - <http://thecareerist.typepad.com/>*

The Careerist takes an inside look at how lawyers shape their careers and manage their lives. The blog aims to dissect developments in the profession, provide useful information and advice, and give lawyers a platform to voice their views. The goal is to provide a fresh, provocative take on the state of lawyering.

**JAMES DAILY**

James Daily is an attorney licensed in Missouri and a graduate of the Washington University in St. Louis School of Law ('08). He is also registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. By day, he works for the Stanford University Hoover Institution's Project on Commercializing Innovation and represents clients in intellectual property matters.

*About Law and the Multiverse - <http://lawandthemultiverse.com/about/>*

If there's one thing comic book nerds like doing it's over-thinking the smallest details. Law and the Multiverse turns their attention to the hypothetical legal ramifications of comic book tropes, characters, and powers. Just a few examples: Are mutants a protected class? Who foots the bill when a hero damages property while fighting a villain? What happens legally when a character comes back from the dead? You'll find the answers to all of these questions and more at Law and the Multiverse!

Law and the Multiverse has been featured in The New York Times, Mother Jones, NPR's All Things Considered, the ABA Journal, and many other publications, radio shows, blogs, podcasts, and websites both in the US and around the world.

## **J. RUSSELL JACKSON**

J. Russell Jackson defends companies' products and advertising in state and federal trial and appellate courts. He has argued from Anchorage, Alaska, to Beaumont, Texas, representing clients in a variety of industries, including the beverage, biotech, pharmaceutical, medical device, household appliance, computer, consumer product, life insurance and publishing industries.

The Legal 500: United States 2010 Edition described Mr. Jackson as a "bright, wonderful lawyer" who gives "clear and concise counsel." In 2010, his personal law blog — [www.consumerclassactionsmasstorts.com](http://www.consumerclassactionsmasstorts.com) — was an ABA Journal "Blawg 100" honoree, one of only six in the torts category.

Mr. Jackson's practice covers class actions, products liability, mass torts, warranties, consumer fraud statutes, RICO, public nuisance, unjust enrichment, the Alien Tort Claims Act and copyright infringement. He also has handled state attorney general investigations. He often helps clients craft communication plans to explain legal developments to their stakeholders, and he counsels clients about legislation and rulemaking. Additionally, he helps them implement effective self-regulation of advertising, defending their ads before independent review boards.

### *About Consumer Class Actions & Mass Torts*

This blog is designed to identify and discuss recent trends in the pleading and defense of consumer class actions and mass torts. Although it is clearly written from the defense perspective, it's not intended to exclude the voices of plaintiffs' counsel or others with an interest in the subject. Your posts on the topics covered herein are eagerly solicited.

Consumer class action and mass tort practice is constantly evolving. For plaintiffs, the key to class certification is to find ways to litigate hundreds or thousands of claims in an aggregated trial without creating individual issues that would have to be tried separately for each class member. This affects how plaintiffs define their classes, as well as the theories of recovery that they plead. For defendants, the key to defeating class certification is to demonstrate how the elements of the substantive causes of action – or the defenses thereto – require litigating issues individually for each class member, which would make a classwide trial unmanageable.

Because the theories and defenses pled have such a strong impact on the class certification issue, this blog does not limit itself to class certification decisions. Rather, it delves into the substantive causes of action that have been pled, and the arguments both sides make about them. The key decision points in a class action often are: (1) whether to remove the case to federal court, (2) selecting venue and/or creating a multidistrict litigation ("MDL"), (3) the motion to dismiss, (4) the motion for summary judgment, (5) sometimes, the accompanying motion to exclude expert testimony, and (6) the class certification motion. (Very few classes that are actually certified eventually proceed to trial because the aggregated risk of loss to the defendant is usually too great, and so the defendant often settles.) You will encounter in this blog decisions and articles on each of these topics, and many more. Hopefully it also will give you insight into the practical reasons why each side is making his arguments, as well.

<http://www.consumerclassactionsmasstorts.com/promo/blog-mission/>

## **SCOTT GREENFIELD**

For almost 30 years, Scott Greenfield has represented clients charged with crimes or the targets of investigations in state and federal courts across the United States. Over that time, many have decided that it's too hard or too expensive to fight, and have chosen to start out with the goal of losing as gracefully as possible. Anyone whose goal at the outset is to lose should find another lawyer.

Learned over the years, and from the experience one gains fighting in the trenches, Scott has proven both before trial juries and appellate judges that cases can be fought and won. Every situation is improved by operating from a position of strength, from the will to find a way to do better than anyone else. Joining internationally recognized litigation boutique Hull McGuire, PC, as "Of Counsel" in 2010, Scott has created access to the finest nationwide and international resources available, exceptionally well-suited to handling the most involved and complex matters.

With every benefit offered by far larger firms, Scott has proven that winning is possible, and often achievable for significantly lower fees than charged by Biglaw. Working with corporate counsel, Scott has achieved success where other firms sought to acquiesce and capitulate, showing that so-called vast resources are no substitute for skill, experience and guts.

Scott has been awarded an AV Preeminent rating, the highest possible, from Martindale Hubbell, a 10 out of 10 (superb) from Avvo and is recognized in "Who's Who" in the world, America and American Law. He has served as a legal expert and analyst for television news shows from "60 Minutes" to "20/20", and ABC, NBC, CBS, BBC, Court TV and Fox.

Scott's cases have been the subject of a book, magazine articles and television shows. Scott is regarded as one of a handful of top criminal defense lawyers who excels in both trial work and appeals. His written work is considered some of the best in the nation, often writing Op-Eds, Amicus briefs and Editor Letters for Bar Associations and other well known lawyers. Scott is a lawyer's lawyer, representing other attorneys, their family members and even judges when they find themselves in a jam.

#### *About Simple Justice*

Founded in 2007, Simple Justice has become one of the most popular solo legal blogs in the nation with more than 330,000 visits per month. Greenfield posts two to three original pieces per day and links to others that focus on issues related to the criminal defense legal community. Greenfield's posts have earned him national notoriety as a legal expert and analyst on network news programs such as "60 Minutes" and "20/20" as well as Fox, the BBC and NBC. He has also been quoted in several national publications, including The New York Times.

<http://www.legalblogger.com/top-legal-blogs/simple-justice-criminal-defense-blog-profile/>

#### **BEN CHAN**

Ben Chan (Moderator) is co-chair of the Asian American Bar Association of New York's Student Outreach Committee. He is a graduate of New York Law School (2010) and CUNY Hunter College (History, 2005). Since 2007, Ben has worked at the Center for Family Representation (CFR), a non-profit law and policy organization that provides free legal and social work services to indigent parents in crisis. Ben also works for CompuBox. During live HBO Boxing telecasts, he tracks punches using HBO's PunchZone program, an animated feature that presents statistics about where on a boxer's body the blows are landing. Ben also hosts a television show, Fight City NYC, which covers boxing and mixed martial arts news.

#### **DOMINIC MAURO**

Dominic Mauro (Moderator) is a graduate of New York Law School (2010) and SUNY Buffalo State (Philosophy, 2006). During law school, he started his blog, Almost Legally, explaining legal issues and principles to people with no legal training. While in school, Dominic also interned with a variety of government organizations, including the New York City Fire Department, the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications, and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Now, after successfully passing the New York State Bar Exam, Dominic's blog is called Barely Legally. The blog continues to educate and inform non-lawyers about contemporary legal issues. Dominic recently joined Fight City NYC as their Mixed Martial Arts correspondent.

## PANEL SESSION 4

4 pm – 5:30 pm

### **APA Women in the Law: Reflections And Paving The Way (Room B)**

*Presented by the AABANY Women's Committee*

**Panelists:** Kathy Hirata Chin - Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP  
Peggy Kuo - New York City Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings  
Katherine M. Choo - General Electric Company

**Moderator:** Vinny Lee - Co-Chair, AABANY Women's Committee

This program, featuring a panel of seasoned women attorneys from various legal sectors who are at the top of their game, will focus on accomplishments of women attorneys thus far and discuss best practices for how women attorneys can continue to break down barriers and take charge of their legal careers on the path to success. In addition to speaking about their own professional paths to success, our panelists will provide their insight and guidance on essential skills for achieving success and making a difference in the legal profession.

**KATHY HIRATA CHIN** has been a partner at Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP since 1990. She is a member of the litigation group specializing in healthcare and real estate issues. Ms. Chin graduated from Princeton University magna cum laude and earned her J.D. from Columbia University School of Law, where she was Editor-in-Chief of the Columbia Journal of Transnational Law. Ms. Chin served as Commissioner on the New York City Planning Commission from 1995 to 2001 and is currently a Commissioner on the New York City Commission to Combat Police Corruption. She has also served on the Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel for the Eastern District of New York, on Governor Mario M. Cuomo's Judicial Screening Committee for the First Judicial Department, on the Gender Bias Committee of the Second Circuit Task Force regarding Gender, Racial, and Ethnic Fairness, on Judge Judith S. Kaye's Commission to Promote Public Confidence in Judicial Elections, chaired by John Feerick, and on the Board of Directors of the New York County Lawyers Association. She was recently appointed by the Honorable Jonathan Lippman, Chief Judge of the State of New York, to serve as a member of the Chief Judge's Attorney Emeritus Advisory Council. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Medicare Rights Center.

**KATHERINE M. CHOO** is Chief Investigative and Anti-Corruption Counsel for the General Electric Company, where she focuses principally on government and internal investigations involving a broad range of potentially criminal, regulatory and company policy violations. She also serves as primary compliance counsel to GE's M&A transactions team and primary counsel to GE's global security organization. Katy also has primary responsibility for counseling GE's businesses with respect to anti-corruption efforts globally relating to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other related anti-bribery laws. Katherine joined GE in 2003, after serving as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York for 11 years, where she served as a Deputy Chief in the Criminal Division and a Chief of the General Crimes Unit of the Office. As an Assistant United States Attorney, she twice was a recipient of the US Department of Justice's Director's Award for Superior Performance as an Assistant United States Attorney (relating to securities fraud, money laundering, and government program fraud prosecutions). As an Assistant United States Attorney, she specialized in prosecutions of securities fraud and other white-collar offenses. Prior to her work as a federal prosecutor, she worked as a litigation associate at Davis Polk & Wardwell. Katherine is a graduate of Wellesley College (Durant Scholar and Phi Beta Kappa) and Columbia School of Law (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar).

**PEGGY KUO** is General Counsel of the New York City Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings (OATH), an independent agency that conducts hearings for other city agencies, commissions and boards. Its cases cover employment, licensing and violations regarding safety and quality of life, such as health, sanitation, environment, taxi and buildings.

Previously, Ms. Kuo was Chief Hearing Officer at the New York Stock Exchange, where she was in charge of adjudicating all disciplinary matters involving violations of NYSE Rules and federal securities laws. She was also counsel at WilmerHale LLP, specializing in internal investigations, white collar defense, and complex civil litigation. From 1998 to 2002, Ms. Kuo investigated and prosecuted war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in The Hague. She was a lead attorney in the historic trial focused on mass rape in Bosnia and a member of the trial team that prosecuted former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic.

Ms. Kuo was an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Columbia, where she conducted over 130 jury trials, grand jury investigations, and appeals. Later, as a trial attorney and then Acting Deputy Chief of the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division Criminal Section, she pursued cases nationwide involving police brutality, hate crimes, church arson, and involuntary servitude, including the successful prosecution of four members of the Honolulu Police Department for civil rights violations.

Ms. Kuo clerked for the Hon. Judith W. Rogers, then the Chief Judge of the D.C. Court of Appeals. She received her B.A. from Yale and J.D. from Harvard. She has taught and lectured extensively, including at the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute and on National Public Radio. She was a regular commentator on the Fox News Channel during the trial of Saddam Hussein.

**VINNY LEE** (Moderator) is an associate at Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, where she focuses her practice in the area of intellectual property law, with an emphasis on patent litigations in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and chemical fields before the district courts as well as the International Trade Commission. She also has experience with patent prosecution and legal opinions. Prior to joining Cadwalader, Vinny was an associate at Morgan & Finnegan LLP, where she focused on patent litigation matters for numerous clients in the pharmaceutical, chemical, and wireless telecommunication equipment fields.

Vinny earned her B.S. in Biology & Society from Cornell University and her J.D. from St. John's University School of Law, where she served as Editor-In-Chief of the New York International Law Review. She also received the American Bar Association/Bureau of National Affairs Award for Excellence in the Study of Health Law.

Vinny is a member of the New York Intellectual Property Law Association and ITC Trial Lawyers Association, and is Co-Chair of the Asian American Bar Association of New York's Women's Committee.

### **U.S.-Asia Intellectual Property Issues. (Room C)**

*Presented by the AABANY Intellectual Property Committee*

Panelists: Casey M. Daum - Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, P.C.  
Jayashree Mitra - White & Case LLP [More to be announced]

Moderator: Karen Lim - Co-Chair, AABANY Intellectual Property Committee

This panel offers a tasting menu of U.S.-Asia intellectual property issues that arise in our global economy. The panelists will discuss strategies for securing and enforcing protection for trademarks in China; how Geographic Indications are being used to protect intellectual property underlying the traditional crafts and industries of South Asia; and how use requirements impact the protection of Asian trademarks in the U.S. The presentations will be followed by a Q & A session.

**CASEY MEE LEE DAUM** is an associate at Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, P.C., an intellectual property law firm that specializes in trademark, copyright, and design patent matters. She specializes in international trademark prosecution and counseling for large global trademark portfolios. Her practice includes management of worldwide trademark portfolios for leading global companies in diverse industries, such as fashion/apparel, cosmetics, jewelry, consumer products, hotels/resorts, real estate development, and pharmaceuticals. She advises on trademark clearance, filing, registration, maintenance, and enforcement matters, as well as copyright, domain name and licensing issues. Casey is admitted in New York and is a member of the International Trademark Association. Prior to joining Fross Zelnick, she was an associate at Ropes & Gray LLP, where she focused on U.S. and international trademark prosecution and the IP aspects of corporate transactions. Casey received her A.B. from Harvard College and J.D. from Harvard Law School. She was born in Korea and enjoys volunteering as a mentor for internationally adopted children.

**JAYASHREE MITRA, PH.D.**, is an associate in the Intellectual Property Practice Group of White & Case LLP. She concentrates primarily in the area of patent litigation. Dr. Mitra has experience representing clients in the pharmaceutical industry in complex patent infringement disputes. Dr. Mitra has several years of experience in biomedical research, especially in the field of pharmacology and neurobiology. In addition to her research work, Dr. Mitra has also worked as a medical writer and editor and developed medical literature and educational materials. She received her J.D. from Northwestern University and her Ph.D. in Pharmacology from Yale University.

Moderator Bio

**KAREN LIM** (Moderator) is an associate at Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, P.C. Her practice focuses on U.S. and international trademark counseling, searching, filing and maintenance; trademark policing and enforcement; and the preparation of agreements and licenses pertaining to intellectual property. Before joining Fross Zelnick, Karen was an associate at Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP and at White & Case LLP, clerked for the Hon. Harold Baer in the Southern District of New York, and designed costumes for theatre and opera. She is a graduate of Fordham University School of Law and Cambridge University. Karen is Co-Chair of the Intellectual Property Committee of the Asian-American Bar Association of New York, and Chair of the Subcommittee for Women of Color, Women in the Profession Committee, New York City Bar. She is a native of Singapore.

### **Family Law: Public & Private (Room D)**

*Presented by the AABANY Government & Public Sector and Solo & Small Firm Committees*

Panelists: Joel Borenstein - Kings County Family Court 18-b panel  
Steven Maffei - Golden Hirschhorn LLP  
Hon. Edwina Richardson-Mendelson - Administrative Judge, New York City Family Courts

Moderator: Lillian Wan - Surrogate's Court Kings County

This panel will cover the various pathways to success in a family law practice in the private and public sector. Experienced family law practitioners and a Family Court Judge will share their perspectives on the work that they do, what drew them to this field, and what has contributed to their successes. Panelists will discuss how you can enhance your family law practice, the current state of family law, and how the Marriage Equality Act affects your practice.

### **JUDGE EDWINA G. RICHARDSON-MENDELSON** - Administrative Judge, NYC Family Court

Judge Richardson-Mendelson was appointed to the New York City Family Court bench by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg on January 24, 2003. She served as a trial judge in Queens County Family Court until February 14, 2008, when she was appointed Supervising Judge of that Court. One year later, on May 6, 2009, Judge Richardson-Mendelson was elevated to Administrative Judge in charge of all New York City Family Courts.

Prior to becoming a Judge, Judge Richardson-Mendelson served as a Court Attorney-Referee in Queens County Family Court presiding over child protective proceedings. Prior thereto, Judge Richardson-Mendelson practiced law for ten years as a member of the Assigned Counsel Panel, representing parents and children in New York County Family Court and in Supreme Court matrimonial matters. She also served as the very first staff attorney for the Sanctuary for Families Center for Battered Women's Legal Services and was an attorney with The Legal Aid Society-Bronx County Civil Division, where she represented indigent clients in Housing Court and in benefits entitlement proceedings.

Judge Richardson-Mendelson graduated from the C.U.N.Y. Law School, Queens College, in 1988. She earned a Master of Philosophy degree in Criminal Justice from the C.U.N.Y. Graduate Center in 2000, and a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from the C.U.N.Y. Graduate Center in 2002. For ten years, Judge Richardson-Mendelson taught courses in criminal law, constitutional law, evidence, and administration of justice as an Adjunct Professor in the Law and Police Science Department at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and she currently teaches juvenile justice law at Hofstra Law School. She holds membership and leadership positions in a number of bar association committees and other committees involving family law and children's issues, and was Chair of the Children and the Law Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. Judge Richardson-Mendelson is also the former Chair of the Law Guardian/Assigned Counsel Advisory Committee for the 2nd and 11th Judicial Districts.

A life-long resident of the Bronx, Judge Richardson-Mendelson is married to Dean Richardson-Mendelson, Esq., a Court Attorney-Referee in New York's 9th Judicial District, with whom she enjoys co-parenting their wonderfully blended family of daughters, sons and nieces.

### **JOEL BORENSTEIN, ESQ.**

Joel Borenstein is currently a member of the Kings County Family Court 18 b panel, where he represents children and adults in child protective, custody and visitation, family offense, juvenile delinquency, and other proceedings in the Family Court. Prior to that, Mr. Borenstein was a staff attorney at the Administration for Children's Services representing N.Y.C. in child protective proceedings.

Mr. Borenstein received a J.D. degree from Brooklyn Law school in 2006, where he was an Edward J. Sparer Public Interest Fellow. Mr. Borenstein earned his B.A. in Philosophy, Magna Cum Laude, from Hunter College in 1999. Prior to law school, Mr. Borenstein worked as an administrator at a human rights organization that assisted survivors of torture. Mr. Borenstein has been admitted to the New York State Bar since 2007. Mr. Borenstein is a member of the New York City Bar Association and the Brooklyn Bar Association.

## **STEVEN MAFFEI, ESQ.**

Steven Maffei is an Associate at Golden Hirschhorn LLP in Garden City and practices matrimonial and family law. His practices encompass every aspect relating to matrimonial cases such as, equitable distribution, child support and custody, and maintenance. In addition, Mr. Maffei represents clients in Family Court on family offense, custody and support proceedings. After graduating from Brooklyn Law School, where Mr. Maffei was a member of the Moot Court Honor Society, he served three and a half years as an Assistant District Attorney in Bronx County. There, Mr. Maffei was lead prosecutor on hundreds of misdemeanor and felony cases from intake through trial.

Prior to joining Golden Hirschhorn LLP, Mr. Maffei was an associate at a prominent Long Island law firm where he began his practice of matrimonial and family law. Mr. Maffei recently received a Citation from the Nassau County Executive for his pro bono efforts with the Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Mr. Maffei is a member of the New York State Bar Association, Nassau County Bar Association, Long Island Hispanic Bar Association and the Asian American Bar Association of New York.

## **LILLIAN WAN, ESQ.**

Lillian Wan (Moderator) is currently a Court Attorney-Referee in Surrogate's Court Kings County where she deals with issues involving wills, trusts, estates, guardianships and adoptions. Ms. Wan presides over guardianship hearings for disabled adults and kinship hearings to determine the distributees of an estate. She also writes decisions and conducts preliminary, settlement and pre-trial conferences with attorneys and self-represented litigants.

Prior to working in Surrogate's Court, Ms. Wan was an attorney for the Administration for Children's Services in the Manhattan Family Court Unit from 2000-2009. While at ACS, Ms. Wan tried and supervised hundreds of child protective cases. Ms. Wan also served as the legal liaison for the Accountability Review Panel and Office of Special Investigations. Ms. Wan was also responsible for court appearances in the Integrated Domestic Violence (IDV) part in New York County Supreme Court, Criminal Term. She also conducted regular training for Division of Child Protection staff and organized Continuing Legal Education programs for attorney staff.

Ms. Wan is a member of the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association, the Asian American Bar Association of New York, the New York City Bar Association, and the Metropolitan Black Bar Association. She is a member of the City Bar's Family Court and Family Law Committee. Ms. Wan received a B.A. in English from Binghamton University in 1997 and a J.D. from Albany Law School in 2000.

## **10 Years After 9/11 (Room A)**

*Presented by the AABANY Immigration & Nationality Law and Issues Committees*

Panelists: Prof. Ramzi Kassem, CUNY Law School, Director, Immigrant and Refugee Rights Clinic  
Sameer Ahmed - Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund

Moderator: Tsui Yee - Co-Chair, AABANY Immigration and Nationality Law Committee

As we approach the 10 year anniversary of 9/11, how have immigration and civil rights in America been impacted? Speakers will discuss the state of civil liberties and security 10 years after 9/11; developments in immigration law, including lessons learned from the Postville, Iowa raids, the state of anti-Arab and Muslim discrimination, and other issues.

**RAMZI KASSEM** is Associate Professor of Law at the City University of New York where he directs the Immigrant & Refugee Rights Clinic.

With his students, Professor Kassem has represented prisoners of various nationalities presently or formerly held at American facilities at Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, at so-called "Black Sites," and at other detention sites worldwide. In connection with these cases, Professor Kassem and his students have appeared before U.S. federal district and appellate courts, as well as before the military commissions at Guantánamo.

Professor Kassem also supervises the Creating Law Enforcement Accountability & Responsibility (CLEAR) project, which primarily aims to address the unmet legal needs of Muslim, Arab, South Asian, and other communities in the New York City area that are particularly affected by national security and counterterrorism policies and practices.

Before joining the CUNY law faculty in 2009, Professor Kassem was a Robert M. Cover Teaching Fellow and Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School, where he taught in the Civil Liberties & National Security Clinic as well as the Worker & Immigrant Rights & Advocacy Clinic. Professor Kassem also previously served as Adjunct Professor of Law at Fordham University School of Law, where he taught in the International Justice Clinic.

As a Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. Civil Rights Fellow at Cochran Neufeld & Scheck (now Neufeld Scheck & Brustin), Professor Kassem litigated high-impact cases stemming from wrongful convictions and police misconduct. He has also served as a legal consultant for the International Center for Transitional Justice.

Professor Kassem is a graduate of Columbia College and holds law degrees from Columbia Law School, where he was a Senior Editor for the Columbia Law Review, and from the Sorbonne. His interests include the legal and policy responses to the September 11th attacks and other national security crises, the rights of minorities and non-citizens, and international humanitarian law.

**SAMEER AHMED** is a Skadden Fellow and staff attorney at the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF). At AALDEF, he provides direct representation, community education and policy advocacy for low-income South Asian, Arab, and Muslim residents of New York City affected by ICE and NYPD abuses of post-9/11 national security measures.

Ahmed is a recent graduate of Yale Law School, where he worked to promote civil rights and immigrants' rights as a member of both the Balancing Civil Liberties & National Security Post 9/11 Clinic and the Workers and Immigrants' Rights Clinic. In 2009, he and his clinic team received the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee's Pro Bono Attorney of the Year Award for their work uncovering Operation Frontline, a secret national security program targeting Muslim immigrants around the 2004 presidential election.

As a Marshall Scholar, Ahmed holds master's degrees from Oxford University in Legal Research and the School of Oriental and African Studies in Middle East Politics. He received his bachelor's degree from Stanford University.

**TSUI YEE** (Moderator) has been practicing immigration law since 1999, handling a wide variety of immigration matters, including family-and employment-based applications for permanent residence, nonimmigrant work visas, defense in removal (deportation) proceedings, naturalization applications, and applications for various waivers of removability.

Ms. Yee is a Co-Chair of the Immigration and Nationality Law Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York and a Vice Chair of the Solo and Small Firm Practice Committee of the New York County Lawyers Association. She is also a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and the Korean American Lawyers Association of Greater New York.

Ms. Yee has presented and spoken at continuing legal education courses regarding various aspects of immigration and nationality law. She has also volunteered on numerous pro bono matters.

Ms. Yee graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law in 1998 and her Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Tufts University in 1993. She is admitted to practice law in the State of New York; the Second Circuit Court of Appeals; and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Prior to forming Guerrero Yee LLP, Ms. Yee was a founding partner of the immigration law firm of Yee & Durkin, LLP.