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**AABANY APPLAUDS APPOINTMENT OF PEGGY KUO AS UNITED STATES
MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

NEW YORK – October 14, 2015 – The Asian American Bar Association of New York (“AABANY”) is proud to announce that Peggy Kuo has been appointed United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of New York. Ms. Kuo was sworn in on October 9, 2015.

Before her appointment as United States Magistrate Judge, Peggy Kuo was Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel of the New York City Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings. Before that, Ms. Kuo was Chief Hearing Officer at the New York Stock Exchange, counsel at WilmerHale, an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia and Acting Deputy Chief of the Civil Rights Division Criminal Section at the U.S. Department of Justice. From 1998 to 2002, Ms. Kuo was a prosecutor with the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in The Hague, where she investigated and prosecuted war crimes and crimes against humanity. Ms. Kuo is a graduate of Yale University and Harvard Law School. She clerked for Hon. Judith W. Rogers, then Chief Judge of the D.C. Court of Appeals. She is President-Elect of the Federal Bar Council Inn of Court. In 2010 she was honored by AABANY at its Annual Dinner.

“AABANY congratulates Ms. Kuo on her selection as a Magistrate Judge of the Eastern District of New York and is proud to have supported her candidacy,” states AABANY President William Wang. “With her appointment, Ms. Kuo joins the growing number of distinguished Asian Pacific Americans who are serving in our Federal courts. Although Asian Pacific Americans remain under-represented at all levels in the judiciary, AABANY commends the Eastern District of New York for its efforts to increase diversity on the Federal bench. Ms. Kuo’s appointment represents a step forward in creating a judiciary that reflects the diversity of the communities that it serves.”

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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 (NAPABA).

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