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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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The Asian American Bar Association of New York proudly presents its first Fall Conference featuring a day of CLE programs showcasing AABANY's committees. You can choose from the eleven programs described in this brochure, and if you participate in the full day of CLE programs, you will earn 4 CLE credits.

The Honorable Denny Chin will be our featured luncheon speaker.

Also during lunch, Anika Khan from Wells Fargo will review the current state of the economy and discuss the economic outlook. Macroeconomic topics to be discussed will include employment, housing, consumer confidence, global economy, and monetary and fiscal policy.

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.

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8:30 am	Breakfast/Registration
9:15 am	Opening Remarks
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	Economic Outlook Presentation by Anika R. Khan Vice President and Economist, Wells Fargo
	Featured Speaker: Honorable Denny Chin U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
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PANEL SESSION 1

9:30 am – 10:30 am

Fighting Real Estate and Mortgage Fraud in the Big Apple: Protecting the Good Guys

Presented by the Real Estate and Prosecutors Committees

Panelists: Richard K. Farrell, Unit Chief of the Mortgage Fraud and Real Estate
Crimes Unit, Kings County District Attorney's Office

Mary E. Walsh, Attorney at Law

Moderator: Margaret T. Ling, AABANY Director, Chair of Real Estate Committee

This program will include a panel discussion by prosecutors from the District Attorney's Office as well as independent and title underwriter claims counsel regarding real estate and mortgage fraud in the New York City area. The discussion will center on true recent cases investigated, litigated and prosecuted. They will discuss fact patterns and how to recognize fraudulent behavior including identity and forgery schemes within the real estate and mortgage transaction. From the perspective of the prosecutor and law enforcement agency, the title underwriter and their retained outside counsel, attendees will learn how the "Bad Guys" are indicted and what happens to the victims of fraud.

Panelists:

Richard K. Farrell

Richard K. Farrell is a 1992 graduate of Brooklyn Law School who joined the staff of the Kings County District Attorney's Office immediately after taking the bar exam. In his 18 years in the 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

Mary Walsh

Mary H. "Maribeth" Walsh, a graduate of the College of the Holy Cross and St. John's University School of Law, was admitted to practice in New York in 1987. Until recently, Ms. Walsh was a partner in the Trusts and Estates Practice Group at Jaspan Schlesinger LLP. Prior to joining Jaspan Schlesinger, Ms. Walsh served as General Counsel and later as Special Counsel for Stewart Title Insurance Company. Prior to joining Stewart Title Insurance Company, Ms. Walsh served as counsel for Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company.

Ms. Walsh is a member of the New York State Bar Association, the Nassau and Suffolk County Bar Associations, and the New York State Land Title Association. In addition, Ms. Walsh serves as Secretary of the Nassau Academy of Law and as Vice President of the School Board of St. Patrick's School in Huntington, New York. She is also a Past President of the Catholic Lawyers' Guild of the Diocese of Rockville Centre – Nassau Chapter, a Director of the Holy Cross Lawyers' Association, and the President of the Holy Cross College Club of Long Island.

Ms. Walsh has extensive experience in title insurance underwriting and title insurance claims and litigation. She has lectured extensively on title insurance and real estate related topics and has been approved by the New York State Department of State, Bureau of Educational Standards to instruct real estate qualifying and continuing education courses. Ms. Walsh is the author of "Some Nuts and Bolts of the 'New' ALTA Owner's and Loan Policies," The Nassau Lawyer, January, 2008.

Moderator:

Margaret T. Ling

Currently, Margaret is the Managing Director and Counsel at JC Land Services, Inc. Recently, Margaret was Claims Counsel at the Claims Department of The First American Title Insurance Company. Prior to that, Margaret was Senior Counsel and National Coordinator at Liberty Title Agency, New York City; Agency Underwriting Counsel at Ticor Title Insurance Company and Stewart Title Insurance Company where she was responsible for all title and legal underwriting for over 300 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 positions as Agency Legal Counsel at Intracoastal Abstract LLC, Titleserv, and CHM Abstract LLC.

Prior to her positions in the title underwriting 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.

Margaret is a Director on the Board of the Asian American Bar Association of New York and Chair of its Real Estate Committee. Margaret is also a member of the Barnard Business Professional Women's Association; a member of the Real Property Committee and Diversity Committee of the New York State Bar Association; 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 Chinese American Real Estate Association; a member of the Asian Real Estate Association of America; a member of the National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals; a member of the National Association of Asian 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 First Tee Program of New Jersey.

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Nature & Nurture: Where is Your Right Fit in the Law?

Presented by the Communications and Professional Development Committees

Panelists: Steve Greene, NY and Public Relations Director
Johnson O'Connor Research Foundation

Elizabeth Miu-Lan Young, Co-Founder, Inter-Change Consultants

Moderator: Linda S. Lin, Counsel, Liberty International Underwriters

Big firm, small firm, public sector, in-house, owning your own practice, litigation, transactional, international practice – ever wonder where you fit in best? This panel discussion will begin with finding out what are some of your natural talents, the nature part of you. Are you better suited for litigation or transactional work? Could you fulfill your need for creativity in Big Law? Our discussion will then move on to the nurture aspect. How does your cultural background influence your fit in the law? Have you been frustrated in the work place? Learn ways to turn the frustration into opportunity and much more.

Panelists:

Steve Greene

Steve Greene is the New York Director and Public Relations Director of the Johnson O'Connor Research Foundation, a nonprofit scientific and educational research organization that, since 1922, has studied human abilities and provided people with knowledge of their aptitudes to help them in making decisions about school and work. Steve is an expert in aptitude measurement and applications, having attached the Foundation's certifications as a Test Administrator, Summarizer, and Senior Summarizer before being promoted to director in 1999. Steve joined the Foundation in 1987 and soon discovered his passion for helping people understand their natural talents and guiding them toward career and educational paths. This passion kindled a desire to spread the word about the Foundation's work. Steve has given interviews about the work of the Foundation on WOR Radio (the Joey Reynolds Show), NBC News, Staten Island Live, Talk Radio One (The Steve Spierer Show), WKMR Radio (Parent Talk), as well as for articles in *The New York Times*, *Time Out NY*, *Elle*, *O*, and *Opera News* among others. He has made speeches and presentations to groups such as the Financial Woman's Association and Partnership for Student Advancement and regularly addresses business, law and communications classes at the Borough of Manhattan Community College and entrepreneurship classes at Fairleigh Dickinson University. Steve graduated *magna cum laude* with a BA in English from the City College of New York, where he won the Excellence in Literary Criticism and Scholarship Award and the Goodman Critical Essay Award.

Elizabeth Miu-Lan Young

Elizabeth Young is a co-founder of InterChange Consultants, and has assisted Fortune 100 corporations and organizations in the United States, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Kenya and East Timor with her expertise in organizational development and cross-cultural/diversity training. Her work as an internal consultant for a major airline, youth worker with Chinatown street gangs, co-founder of the Chinatown Health Clinic and facilitator for two groundbreaking programs for ethnic minorities and women at the NCAA has reinforced her mission to create a society and workplace where everyone can fully contribute. Liz is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley.

Moderator:

Linda S. Lin

Linda S. Lin is counsel at Liberty International Underwriters ("LIU"), a division of Liberty Mutual Group. Linda supports LIU and its businesses with respect to securities and employment matters. Prior to joining LIU, she was a litigation associate at the law firm of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP where she specialized in securities litigation, white collar criminal defense, securities enforcement matters, internal investigations, and complex commercial litigation. She also represented pro bono clients in both family law and political asylum matters. She also served as law clerk to the Hon. Dora L. Iriarry, U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. Linda received her B.A. in Philosophy Politics and Law with honors from Binghamton University and her Juris Doctorate *cum laude* from Brooklyn Law School, where she was a member of the Moot Court Honor Society.

Linda is currently the President-Elect of the Asian American Bar Association of New York ("AABANY"). She has been an active member and leader of AABANY since 2005. She led the effort to re-constitute AABANY's Young Lawyers Committee and served as its co-chair from 2005 to 2008. She also served as

Director from 2007-2009, Executive Recording Secretary from 2006-2007, and co-chaired AABANY's litigation committee from 2008-2009. Linda has also served as an active member of AABANY's Annual Banquet committee for the past 4 years. In addition, Linda spearheaded two prominent projects through AABANY: (1) the Joint Minority Bar Judicial Internship Program ("JMB JIP") and (2) the AABANY Advocate. The JMB JIP places law students in judicial internships with federal, state and local judges around the New York City area. She also created the AABANY Advocate, AABANY's quarterly newsletter. She served as the AABANY Advocate's co-Editor-in-Chief, recruited and managed the writing staff, designed the newsletter layout, and published many widely-read issues of the newsletter.

PANEL SESSION 1

9:30 am – 10:30 am

Is Asia Right for You? The Ins and Outs of Working in Asia

Presented by the Young Lawyers Committee

Panelists: Jenik Radon, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs; Partner, Radon and Ishizumi, LLP

Meng Ru, Counsel, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP

Catherine X. Pan, Associate, Goodwin Procter LLP

Jie Xiu, Associate, Troutman Sanders LLP

Stephanie Xiaofeng Lin, Associate, Guzov Ofsink LLC

Moderator: Anting J. Wang, Associate, Hahn & Hessen LLP

Have you ever thought about working in Asia or transitioning to an Asian focused practice? Then this panel is right for you. Our speakers are seasoned Asia practitioners who will discuss the hurdles they have faced in getting to Asia and the pros and cons of an Asian focused practice. In addition, the speakers will share their thoughts on developing contacts abroad, maintaining transnational client relationships and address the legal skill level, language fluency and cultural familiarity appropriate for attorneys interested in this area.

Panelists:

Jenik Radon

Jenik Radon is Adj. Asst. Professor at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. He is the founder/director of the Eesti and Eurasian Public Service Fellowship, which gives Columbia and other students the opportunity to intern in Estonia, Georgia and Nepal. From 2000 to 2002, Radon was a lecturer at Stanford University, where he taught human rights and privatization at its law school and international investment management at its Graduate School of Business. He is a visiting professor at the Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research in Mumbai, India, where he has taught the class "Dynamics of Corruption" and has been named Distinguished University Professor at Monterrey Tech, Queretaro, in Mexico, where he gives special university wide lectures. Radon participated in the constitutional peace process in Nepal and was a drafter of the interim peace constitution, which, among other things, granted citizenship to millions of stateless people in the Terai region; and he is a member of the UN Global Compact Academic Initiative taskforce which seeks to have business schools worldwide incorporate the Compact's 10 principles on human rights into their curriculum and teaching.

In the early '80s, Radon founded *Radon and Ishizumi*, an international law firm representing international corporations and foreign public entities. From 1999 to 2007, Radon was one of the Executors/Trustees of Vetter Pharma, a privately-held German pharmaceutical company, the world leader in the production of aseptic systems, for which he now serves as counsel. In 1980, Radon co-founded the Afghanistan Relief Committee that supported refugees displaced during the Afghan-Soviet war and freedom for Afghanistan. Advisor during Estonia's independence struggle, Radon co-authored the country's foreign investment, mortgage/pledge, privatization and corporate laws and was an architect of Estonia's privatization. In 1990 he was the first to officially raise the U.S. flag in Estonia since the 1940 Soviet invasion and was awarded the Medal of Distinction of the Estonian Chamber of Commerce. Radon was Georgia's key foreign advisor and negotiator of the multi-billion dollar oil and gas pipelines from Azerbaijan through Georgia to Turkey (the BTC), featured in the James Bond movie, *The World is Not Enough*. In 2000, he was awarded Georgia's highest civilian award, the Order of Honor.

Radon has lectured in over 30 nations, including recently in China, Germany, Laos, Mexico and Nepal; and he has written numerous articles, including *Conflicts of Interest: the Unaddressed and the Unspoken Challenge*, International Social Science Journal (UNESCO); *Staatsfonds vor den Toren* (Sovereign Wealth Funds Before the [Trojan] Gates), Wirtschaft (Economy) section, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung (FAZ); *Getting Human Rights Right*, Stanford Social Innovation Journal (December, 2007); *How To Negotiate Your Oil Agreement*, in *Escaping the Resource Curse*, ed. Macartan Humphreys, Jeffrey Sachs and Joseph Stiglitz (Columbia University Press, June 2007); *Ethics in Business (MBA) Education - A New Must*, International Management Development Research Yearbook, *Technology, Structure, Environment, And Strategy Interfaces In A Changing Global Business Arena* (June 2006); *Sleepless, Clueless, Dangerous*, in *Ergo-Med* (Haefer Verlag, Germany, March 2006); *The New Mantra: Bribers Beware!* The Journal for Transnational Management (Vol. 11, No. 4, 2006); *Hear No Evil, Speak No Evil, See No Evil Spells Complicity*, (UN) Compact Quarterly (Volume 2005, Issue 2), published by the (United Nations) Global Compact. Radon obtained his B.A. from Columbia University, a M.C.P. from the University of California, Berkeley and a J.D. from Stanford Law School.

Meng Ru

Meng Ru started her career at O'Melveny Shanghai office, where she represented foreign investors in various direct investments in China, including market entry strategy and the related regulatory matters, equity/assets acquisitions and liquidations, advised clients in their China operations principally in connection with technology transfers, foreign exchange, land use and other regulatory matters as well as advised clients in investments in distressed debt portfolio offered by major state-owned asset management companies. After she received her LL.M. from the University of Virginia in 2004, she re-joined O'Melveny in New York and is currently at Akin Gump's New York Office. Her practice in New York focuses on private equity-related corporate finance transactions, principally in connection with leveraged buyouts. She represented some of the most sophisticated private equity funds and their portfolio companies in domestic and international debt financings, advised private equity clients in the investments in billions of dollars of distressed debt and represented private equity funds, hedge funds and corporate clients in restructuring the balance sheets of overleveraged companies.

Ms. Ru received her LL.B. from Fudan University in 2000 and her LL.M. from the University of Virginia in 2004. She is a member of the New York Bar.

Catherine X. Pan

Catherine Pan is an associate in the firm's Business Law Department, where she practices U.S. corporate and securities law and provides advice on China-related matters.

Professional Activities:

Ms. Pan is a member of the American Bar Association and American Foreign Law Association. She is a founder and director of the Chinese Business Lawyers Association.

Media:

Ms. Pan is the author of "Planning for Commercial Dispute Resolution in Mainland China," in *The American Review of International Arbitration* (2005); "Licensing and Technology Transfer to China," in *The LESI Guide to Licensing Best Practices*, 2nd Edition (2005); and "Application and Development of the GATT Exemption Clause," in the *China Law Review* (2001).

Professional Experience:

Before moving to the United States, Ms. Pan was a legal trainee at the Shanghai office of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer and Faegre & Benson, where she assisted clients with cross-border transactions and foreign direct investments in China, including establishment of wholly owned subsidiaries and joint ventures, acquisitions of local companies, and technology licensing to China. Her responsibility also included interacting with various departments of the Chinese government, including the Ministry of Commerce, Administration of Industries and Commerce, and local Tax Bureaus.

Recognition:

Ms. Pan is the recipient of the National Medal of Volunteer of China, in recognition of outstanding volunteer services and fund-raising activities for disadvantaged high school students in Ninxia, a minority-occupied mountain area adjacent to Tibet.

Jie Xiu

Jie Xiu is a member of the Troutman Sanders LLP's Corporate Group. Jie's practice is focused on mergers and acquisitions and corporate securities. On the merger and acquisition front, Jie regularly represents clients in their acquisition and sale of equity interests and assets, joint ventures and a broad spectrum of corporate and business matters. On the securities front, Jie has represented numerous domestic and foreign issuers in various public and private offerings of debt and equity securities, listing on various capital markets, and the Securities Exchange Act compliance. Jie has extensive experience with American, Canadian, European and Chinese companies with their M&A and corporate finance projects, and advises her clients on U.S. securities laws compliance.

- Representative Experience:
- Representation of numerous Chinese companies in reverse mergers and PIPE offering in conjunction with the reverse merger
- Representation of numerous Chinese companies in their main board listing application and capital raising through public offering and PIPE
- Representation of major shareholders of a radiotherapy and diagnostic imaging equipment manufacturer in their \$119.50 million initial public offering
- Representation of a specialty biopharmaceutical company in its \$75 million initial public offering
- Representation of a private equity fund in its \$150 million private placement
- Representation of a multinational Canadian company in its issuance of (1) \$ 413.0 million 13.75% Senior Secured Notes; (2) \$292.8 million 15.5% Senior Notes; (3) \$350 million 8.0% Convertible Notes; and (4) \$400 million Senior Term Loan
- Representation of companies in merger and acquisition transactions covering a wide range of industries, including pharmaceuticals, manufacturing, steel, education, advertising, real estate and maritime industry
- Cross-border merger between two major biopharmaceutical companies in U.S. and China
- Representation of companies in connection with the issuance of debt and equity in private placement and exchange offering transactions and have experience drafting private placement and exchange offering memoranda, note and warrant purchase agreements, preferred stock purchase agreements, certificates of designation, and registration rights agreements
- Advise numerous clients on preparation of proxy statements and planning for annual shareholder meetings
- Advise numerous clients on 1934 Act reporting, including the filing of Form 10-Ks, Form 10-Qs and Form 8-Ks
- Ongoing representation of U.S. public companies in its corporate governance and NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ Market compliance

Publications:

Note: The Roles of the Judiciary in Examining and Supervising the Changing Laws of Electronic Surveillance, *The Seton Hall Legislative Journal*, vol. 28, 2003, Number 1.

Stephanie Xiaofeng Lin

Stephanie is an attorney of the Corporate/Asia Practice Group of Guzov Ofsink, LLC. Her practice primarily focuses on capital markets, with an emphasis on securities regulations compliance, private

placements and cross-border transactions. In particular, Stephanie works closely with many Chinese business clients, bridging the gap of the business and cultural differences between U.S. and China and developing solutions to the challenges faced by such clients. She has assisted several Chinese companies in their listing on U.S. stock exchanges, the consummation of private and/or public financing transactions and the compliance with their reporting obligations under the Securities Act of 1933 and/or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Stephanie's clients include a wide spectrum of companies and industries, including clean energy, pharmaceutical, construction, infrastructure, metallurgy and agriculture, etc. Stephanie's corporate experience also includes alternative public offerings, corporate governance mechanism establishment, re-sales of securities and mergers and acquisitions.

Moderator:

Anting J. Wang

Anting joined Hahn & Hessen in 2008, specializing in complex commercial litigation matters.

Description of Practice: Ms. Wang has extensive litigation experience within the bankruptcy, commercial litigation, securities and insurance areas. Anting's expertise includes financial consulting and research and analysis for businesses engaged in corporate litigation.

Representative Matters:

Some recent matters Anting has worked on include:

- Representation of a national bank in its capacity as bondholder in its opposition to a creditor committee proposal;
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“Applying Section 548, Subpart IV of the Bankruptcy Code to Executive Bonuses,” in *Hahn & Hessen LLP’s Litigation Department Newsletter*, May 2009 (Vol. 1, Issue 2).

Honors:

Ms. Wang is a graduate of Stanford Law School, and served as Article Editor of the Stanford Journal of Law, Business and Finance. Ms. Wang is a *Phi Beta Kappa* graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, and received her B.A. with Highest Honors in Economics. Her Honors thesis was published in the Michigan Journal of Economics, 2000 Volume 16, Issue 1.

Outside the Office:

Anting is a member of New York Road Runners, and enjoys golf, tennis and travel. Ms. Wang speaks Mandarin and is proficient in written Chinese.

Education:

University of California-Berkeley, B.A., 1999
Stanford Law School, J.D., 2005

PANEL SESSION 2

10:45 am – 11:45 am

Bankruptcy 101: Introduction to Bankruptcy Law for Associates

Presented by the Young Lawyers Committee

Panelists: Jeffrey Zawadzki, Senior Associate, Hahn & Hessen LLP

Anting J. Wang, Associate, Hahn & Hessen LLP

Bankruptcy today is a booming business and associates of all stripes are being asked to take on bankruptcy assignments, both relating to bankruptcy practice and procedure as well as bankruptcy-related litigation. This program is designed to introduce associates to the basics of bankruptcy practice and will address concepts central to understanding restructuring and insolvency, including the basics of Chapter 7, Chapter 11, the automatic stay, discharges and fraudulent transfer law.

Panelists:

Jeffrey Zawadzki

Prior to joining Hahn & Hessen, Jeff served as a Captain in the New York City Police Department.

Description of Practice:

Jeff worked as a summer associate at Hahn & Hessen before joining the Firm's Bankruptcy Practice Group in 2004. His practice focuses on the representation of secured and unsecured creditors in corporate reorganizations, restructurings and liquidations.

Representative Matters:

Some of the recent matters that Jeff has worked on include *In re American Classic Voyages Co., et al.*, *In re Pillowtext Corp., et al.*, and *In re Premier Operations Ltd.*

Professional Associations:

Jeff is a member of the New York State Bar Association and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. He is admitted to practice in New York and Connecticut and in the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Other Honors:

During his time at St. John's University School of Law, Jeff served as a staff member of the American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review. He attended law school as a St. John's Merit Scholar and graduated with several honors including CALI Award recipient and Dean's List.

Outside of the Office: Jeff enjoys time spent with his wife and children. They share a passion for the outdoors and activities such as hiking, biking and running.

Practice Areas:

Bankruptcy

Education:

St. John's University School of Law (J.D., 2003)

New York University (M.S., 1999)

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PANEL SESSION 2

10:45 am – 11:45 am

Hot Topics in IP Law: Forging Your Path as an IP Practitioner

Presented by the Professional Development Committee

Panelists: Eugene Chang, Partner, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

Ashima Dayal, Partner, Davis & Gilbert LLP

Jennifer Sim, Senior Corporate Counsel, Gap Inc.

Moderator: Karen Lim, Associate, Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, P.C.

Ever wanted to know what it takes to practice intellectual property law? Learn about the latest developments in the field from a panel of experienced patent, trademark, and copyright practitioners, and discover how you might best position yourself to forge your path in these growing and fast-evolving areas of law.

Panelists:

Eugene Chang

Practice:

Eugene L. Chang is a partner in the Intellectual Property and Litigation Departments of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP in New York. Mr. Chang specializes in intellectual property litigation and licensing, and the intersection of intellectual property with antitrust and competition law. Mr. Chang has litigated intellectual property issues in the U.S. and internationally across a wide range of technology areas including medical devices, analog and digital circuitry, software, pharmaceuticals, mechanical systems, optical sensors, and electronic trading systems. He has counseled clients on intellectual property issues arising in circumstances such as bankruptcy-related acquisitions and standards-related licensing programs.

Selected Professional And Business Activities:

Mr. Chang also has strong experience addressing intellectual property issues in renewable energy. He has given presentations on intellectual property topics at renewable energy conferences, including the 24th European Photovoltaic Solar Energy Conference (EUPVSEC) in Hamburg, Germany, and the Tenth World Renewable Energy Congress (WREC X) in Glasgow, Scotland. Mr. Chang has also litigated and counseled clients in environmentally friendly technologies such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), compact fluorescent lighting and automotive refrigerants with low global warming potential.

Mr. Chang is a Vice Chair with the Asian Practice Committee of the Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO), and has participated in IPO delegations meeting with judges, officials of the Patent Offices, and intellectual property organizations in China and Japan. Mr. Chang has given presentations on Patent Law and Antitrust Law to organizations around the world, and has lectured on U.S. Patent and Antitrust Law at Franklin Pierce Law School in the U.S. and Fudan University School of Law in China. He was also honored by the Legal Aid Society of New York with an award for Outstanding Pro Bono Service.

Bar Admissions:

Mr. Chang is admitted to the Bar of the State of New York. He is also admitted to the United States Supreme Court, the United States Courts of Appeal for the Federal and Second Circuits, and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the Eastern District of Michigan.

Education:

Mr. Chang received a Physics degree from Yale University and his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law. He has also obtained a Masters degree focusing on jury trials from the Temple University School of Law.

Selected Significant Matters:

- Successfully represented Philips Medical Systems in enforcing and defending against twenty one patents relating to several different facets of automatic external defibrillator (AED) technology

- Successfully represented Philips Semiconductors in enforcing patents forming the basis for a successful licensing program covering an industry standard for communication between integrated circuit chips
- Successfully represented Johnson & Johnson in enforcing pioneering patents relating to coronary stent technology

Ashima Dayal

Partner

Advertising, Marketing & Promotions; Entertainment, Media & Publishing; Intellectual Property; Technology, Digital Media & Privacy

Ashima A. Dayal is a partner in the Advertising, Marketing & Promotions; Entertainment, Media & Publishing; Intellectual Property and Technology, Digital Media & Privacy Practice Groups of Davis & Gilbert. Ms. Dayal is also a member of the firm's Diversity Committee. Her practice concentrates on advising the firm's advertising, media and entertainment clients on all aspects of copyright, trademark and right of publicity law. Additionally, she has considerable experience resolving complex issues and disputes raising false advertising, unfair competition, misappropriation of idea, defamation, e-commerce and contract concerns, and regularly participates in litigation and other adversarial proceedings related to these areas of law. Ms. Dayal has argued before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and the Southern District of New York. Ms. Dayal also counsels clients on entertainment union and guild issues pertaining to television, radio and Internet advertising.

Ms. Dayal negotiates, drafts and reviews a wide array of agreements on both the advertiser and advertising agency sides, including licenses for use of entertainment, fine art and literary materials, production agreements, talent agreements, sponsorship agreements, agency/client agreements and contracts in the new media field.

Ms. Dayal's clients include a diverse range of media and entertainment companies, including the video game publisher Take-Two Interactive Software, the B2B publishers American Lawyer Media and Penton Media, the mobile phone-based social network Limbo, and the online social network Tagged. Additionally, Ms. Dayal has been retained by numerous authors, filmmakers, designers and other creative professionals to advise and advocate on their behalf, on matters ranging from intellectual property clearance, to licensing negotiations, to all manner of disputes.

Prior to becoming an attorney, Ms. Dayal was an entertainment publicist at the Fox Broadcasting Company and at the New York office of Baker Winokur Ryder Public Relations. While in law school, Ms. Dayal was Senior Editor of the Columbia Law Review. Ms. Dayal formerly was an intellectual property attorney at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP.

Jennifer Sim

Jennifer Sim is Senior Corporate Counsel with the Brand Services (Intellectual Property) group at Gap Inc. Gap Inc. is headquartered in San Francisco, California, but Jennifer is based in its New York office. Jennifer provides intellectual property support to the design, merchandising and marketing groups of Gap Inc.'s brands which include Gap, Old Navy, Banana Republic, Piperlime and Athleta. Her work includes product and marketing clearance, creative services/licensing agreements, brand protection,

and defensive IP litigation. Prior to joining Gap Inc., Jennifer was an in-house intellectual property lawyer at Electronics for Imaging, a technology company, and an attorney at Perkins Coie, LLP, in the Bay Area of California. Jennifer is a graduate of UC Hastings College of the Law

Moderator:

Karen Lim

Karen Lim is an associate at Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, P.C., an intellectual property law firm that specializes in trademark, copyright, and design patent matters. 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.

PANEL SESSION 2

10:45 am – 11:45 am

The Nuts and Bolts for APAs Thinking About Running for Elected Office

Presented by the Government and Public Sector Committee

Panelists: Margaret Chin, Council Member, New York City Council

Kevin Kim, Democratic Nominee for New York City Council

Grace Meng, Assemblymember, New York State Legislature

Vincent J. Messina Jr., Partner, Sinnreich Kosakoff & Messina, LLP

Moderators: William Ng, AABANY Director

Lai Sun Yee, AABANY Director

The panelists will speak about what motivated them to run for office and the issues and challenges they encountered as APAs running for state and local elected office. They will provide advice and suggestions on what potential candidates should consider if they contemplate running for office such as fundraising, putting together a campaign team, and getting grass roots support. Also, there will be discussion about campaign and election law issues that affect candidates for elected office.

Panelists:

Margaret Chin

Margaret Chin immigrated to the U.S. with her family from Hong Kong in 1963 when she was nine years old. She grew up in NYC Chinatown and attended P.S. 130 and JHS 65. She graduated from the Bronx High School of Science and from the City College of New York (CCNY) with a degree in education. It was at City College through taking Asian Studies courses that Margaret got involved in community organizing. For more than 30 years she has dedicated herself to public service to help immigrants, low income and working families.

Margaret worked for 14 years at LaGuardia Community College's Division of Adult and Continuing Education helping immigrant adults get a college education. Many of her students learned English, got a college degree and built a better life for their families.

For the past 11 years Margaret worked at Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE), an organization that she helped to form when she was in college. As the deputy executive director, Margaret led the organization's work in advocacy, community organizing and coalition building. She fought for the preservation and building of affordable housing; better access to government services; equal opportunity and fair treatment, for immigrants, low income and working families. Margaret left her position at AAFE at the end of August 2008 to focus on her City Council Campaign.

In her many years of public service she served on boards of many not-for-profit organizations. Margaret was formerly the Chairperson of the NY Immigration Coalition (NYIC). She was a board member of the Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development (ANHD) and chaired the Advocacy Committee. Margaret was a founding member of Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation (CPLDC) and served as the vice-chair of the board. Additionally, Margaret served as chair of the Census Bureau's Race and Ethnicity Advisory Committee on the Asian and Pacific Islander Population for Census 2000. Margaret was a member of Community Board 3 and Community Board 1. Margaret was also one of the founding members of Asian Americans for Equality, where she served as President of the board from 1982 to 1986. In 2003 Margaret was a Fannie Mae Foundation Fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

As an advocate for civic participation and voter education, Margaret was elected to the Democratic State Committee for two terms from 1986 to 1990. Margaret ran for City Council in 1991, 1993 and 2001. She fought hard to get bilingual ballots for the Asian community. Margaret is married to Alan Tung, a public school teacher at P.S. 3 in Greenwich Village. Their son, Kevin, attended public schools and graduated from the Bronx High School of Science and Syracuse University. Margaret's mom is a retired garment worker and still lives in Chinatown.

Kevin Kim

On September 15, 2009, Kevin became the first Korean-American in NYC history to win a primary election. As a first-time candidate, Kevin surprised many in the political establishment by defeating five other Democratic candidates convincingly - winning 4 out of the 5 Assembly District regions in Northeast Queens. Local media attributed the extraordinary grassroots effort by Kevin's campaign to register and educate first-time voters as a major reason for his primary victory.

Along the way, Kevin's campaign also set fundraising records for a first-time NYC council candidate, receiving contributions from more than 1,300 supporters and raising over half a million dollars.

Until recently, Kevin worked as the Deputy Director of Community Affairs for Congressman Gary L. Ackerman (D-Queens/L.I.). His previous professional experiences include working as a federal law clerk for the Honorable Denny Chin, a corporate attorney at Davis Polk & Wardwell, and a founding partner of a midtown law firm.

Kevin received his B.A. and M.A. from Stanford University and his law degree from Columbia Law School, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and a Developing Editor of the Columbia Law Review. He is proficient in Korean and conversant in Mandarin and Japanese.

Grace Meng

Grace Meng is proud to have been elected to the New York State Assembly on the same historic day as President Barack Obama. She is the youngest Asian-American ever elected to the New York State Legislature, and currently the only Asian-American serving in the entire legislature. A dedicated public interest attorney and a grassroots political activist, Grace's top priorities are making sure that all children are healthy and are able to receive a quality education, improving the quality of life for senior citizens, and helping small business owners achieve their American dream. As the first-ever Asian-American appointed to hold a Cabinet position in the NYS Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic & Asian Caucus, she initiated New York State's first-ever Asian Pacific American Legislative Advocacy Day. Grace is also a member of the NYS Legislative Women's Caucus.

Grace graduated from Stuyvesant High School, has a B.A. from the University of Michigan and a J.D. from Yeshiva University's Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. As an attorney admitted to practice in New York State, her legal career has included being a Partner at Yoon and Kim LLP and volunteering as a pro bono attorney for Sanctuary for Families, a domestic violence legal service provider in New York City. Committed to developing the next generation of leaders, Grace was the founder of a volunteer organization – F.O.C.U.S. (Friends of the Community Unite & Serve) Community Access Center – and president of the Queens Chinese Women's Association. She has also served on the boards of Flushing Hospital Medical Center, the American Red Cross, Flushing Savings Bank, Flushing YMCA, and was the former chairperson of the New York City's Department of Youth and Community Development's Neighborhood Advisory Board 7. She currently resides in Flushing with her husband, Wayne, two sons – Tyler and Brandon, and dog – Bounce.

Vincent J. Messina Jr.

Vincent J. Messina Jr. is a partner in the firm of Sinnreich Kosakoff & Messina, LLP, which maintains offices in Central Islip, New York and New Jersey. He is a former Town Attorney of the Town of Islip, where he served in such capacity for thirteen (13) years. He is a current and past co-chair of committees of the Suffolk County Bar Association, is presently a member of the Committee on Character and Fitness of the Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department, and has been a guest speaker before various Bar Associations and political committees, including the New York State Bar Association and the Election Law Committee of the Bar Association of the City of New York.

Mr. Messina's involvement in election law matters dates back over thirty (30) years. He is a former Chair of a Board of Election Inspectors in Suffolk County, was involved in political campaigns since the

age of thirteen, and has practiced in the area of election law since his admission to practice over twenty (20) years ago. He is the former Chair of the Law Committee of the Suffolk County Republican Committee, Town of Islip Republican Committee, and other County and Town Committees for numerous political parties. He also has been the attorney for scores of elected officials and candidates for public office and party positions, including State and County leaders of various political parties, candidates for the United States House of Representatives, New York State Senate, New York State Assembly, New York City Council, County Executive, and numerous town and village offices. He has also had the privilege of representing Commissioners of Boards of Election and Village Clerks throughout the State. Additionally, he has trained counsel for numerous candidates and committees in the area of representing candidates for public office, and has provided legal representation in areas of campaign finance to political parties and committees.

Mr. Messina frequently litigates election law matters in the Appellate Divisions of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, as well as the Court of Appeals of the State of New York.

Moderators:

William H. Ng

Mr. Ng serves on the Board of Directors for the Asian American Bar Association of New York (AABANY) and is Co-Chair of the Student Outreach and Public Sector Committees.

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), where he was a member of the New York International Law Review and the Polestino Trial Advocacy Institute, St. John's mock trial team.

Upon graduation, Mr. Ng was appointed as an Assistant Corporation Counsel with the Office of the Corporation Counsel, New York City Law Department. Mr. Ng currently works in the Queens Tort Division, where he defends the City and its employees in general negligence matters such as trip-and-fall accidents, motor vehicle accidents, wrongful death actions, premises liability cases, and false arrest and malicious prosecution claims.

Mr. Ng is admitted to practice in New York and New Jersey.

Lai Sun Yee

Lai Sun Yee serves as the Senior Policy Advisor to the DHS/FEMA National Exercise Division. She was a Senior Advisor in Homeland Security for CNA. She was a Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security Distinguished Fellow at the United States Department of Homeland Security/FEMA. She has held a number of executive level positions in the public safety field, including Assistant Deputy Secretary for Homeland Security and Assistant Deputy Secretary of Criminal Justice for New York State. She was the Deputy Commissioner for Legal Affairs and General Counsel to the New York City Office of Emergency Management where, following the 9/11 attacks, she helped reconstitute the City's emergency operations center, establish feeding and respite facilities for the first responders at Ground Zero, and managed other issues pertaining to World Trade Center response and recovery operations. She was the Counsel to the Bronx Borough President. She also served as the General Counsel to the New York State Emergency Management Office and created a Helping Handbook for the survivors of historic flooding in New York. She was an Assistant Fire Commissioner of the Bureau of Investigation and Trials for the Fire Department of New York City.

She is a past president of AABANY and a current Director of AABANY. She is the Chair of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Committee of the ABA Section on State and Local Government Law. She also serves as the Chair of the NAPABA Public Sector Committee.

PANEL SESSION 3

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

To Plead or Not to Plead: That is the Question Under *Twombly* and *Iqbal*

Presented by the Litigation Committee

Panelists: Vincent T. Chang, Partner, Wollmuth Maher & Deutsch LLP

Gordon Eng, Associate, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP

James Yu, Partner, Seyfarth Shaw LLP

On May 18, 2009, the U.S. Supreme court handed down its decision in *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, holding that the heightened pleading standards under *Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Twombly* - that a complaint must present enough facts to state a claim for relief that is plausible on its face - applied to all Federal civil cases. This seminar will provide an update for those who want to know more about either filing or arguing against motions to dismiss under these new pleading standards with an analysis of post-*Iqbal* case law developments over the last year.

Panelists:

Vincent T. Chang

Vincent T. Chang is a Partner at Wollmuth Maher & Deutsch, specializing in complex litigation in such areas as real estate, insurance, bankruptcy, subprime mortgage securitizations, hedge funds, reinsurance, auction rate securities, bondholder litigation, investment banking, antitrust, and securities. Mr. Chang is a graduate of Harvard College, magna cum laude, and Harvard Law School, cum laude. Mr. Chang clerked for the Hon. Robert B. Krupansky, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and was an associate and then counsel at Davis Polk & Wardwell. Mr. Chang is a past President of the Asian American Bar Association of New York and serves on the Executive Committee of the New York County Lawyers Association (NYCLA) and on the Boards of Directors of NYCLA, the Asian American Law Fund of New York, the Network of Bar Leaders, the NYCLA Foundation, and Legal Services NYC. He also serves on the Nominating Committee and the House of Delegates of the New York State Bar Association and as one of NYCLA's representatives to the Judiciary Committee of the New York City Bar Association. Mr. Chang has served as Vice Chairman of two committees of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association. Mr. Chang is a Co-Chair of NAPABA's Litigation Committee. Mr. Chang is Vice Chair of the New York County Lawyers Federal Courts Committee. Mr. Chang has been listed as a "Super Lawyer" in business litigation in New York, a designation limited to 5% of the lawyers in a given state.

Gordon Eng

Gordon Eng is an associate in the firm's Litigation Department whose practice focuses on white collar, internal investigations, and commercial litigation matters.

Mr. Eng was admitted to the bar in New York in 2005 and is admitted to appear before the US District Courts for the SDNY and EDNY, and the 2d Cir. Court of Appeals. He has appeared before the Appellate Division, 2d Department as Special Assistant District Attorney on behalf of Kings County District Attorney in People v. Colon, 2007 and People v. Filangeri, 2006.

His published works include: "Regulatory Investigations and the Credit Crisis: The Search for Villains," co-authored in *American Criminal Law Review's 2009 Annual Survey of White Collar Crime* (2009), "Forging Ahead on E-Discovery," co-authored in the *New York Law Journal* (2006) and "Old Whine in a New Bottle: Pragmatic Approaches to Balancing the Twenty-First Amendment, the Dormant Commerce Clause, and the Direct Shipping of Wine," *Fordham Urban Law Journal* (2003).

Mr. Eng is co-vice chair of New York County Lawyers' Association (NYCLA) Ethics Committee and a founding member of the Advisory Board of the NYCLA Ethics Institute. He is treasurer of the Network of Bar Leaders; a member of American Bar Association, New York State Bar Association and the Litigation Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York.

Prior to joining Debevoise, Mr. Eng was an international bank lending officer at Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, a foreign currency trader at Bankers Trust Co., Bank of Tokyo Ltd., Lehman Brothers and JPMorgan Chase and a legal intern at the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District New York, Criminal Division from 2003-2004.

Mr. Eng received his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Fordham University School of Law, Order of Coif in 2005 where he was a published member of the *Fordham Urban Law Journal*. He received his M.B.A.

from New York University, Stern School of Business with honors in 1981 and his B.S. in Economics from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1973.

James Yu

Mr. Yu is a partner with the Litigation Department. His practice specializes in product liability defense, trade secret litigation, and commercial litigation. He has handled a diverse range of matters, including complex contract disputes, toxic tort litigation, trade secret misappropriation, franchise disputes, business torts, consumer fraud, creditors' rights and workouts. His client representations include manufacturers, insurance carriers, hedge funds, franchisors, secured lenders, and real estate developers, among many others.

As a member of the firm's Products Liability Practice Group, Mr. Yu has substantial experience defending manufacturers against claims of injury or fear of injury caused by exposure to asbestos-containing products and various dioxin-related chemical compounds. He has frequently defended claims alleging strict products liability in tort, design defect, manufacturing defect, and failure to warn.

As a member of the firm's Trade Secrets Group, he has also successfully obtained restraining orders and injunctions against former employees and competitors for theft of confidential/proprietary information and/or breach of restrictive covenants on behalf of several clients involved in various industries, including product sales, software development, actuarial services and the staffing industry.

Mr. Yu has also defended several class action lawsuits, and is experienced in handling multi-district litigations. Recently, he helped obtain the dismissal of a putative class action claim brought against a major insurance company by a medical health provider, alleging damages for late payment of medical benefits in violation of New York's Insurance Law and New York's consumer fraud statute.

Mr. Yu is actively involved in pro bono work for clients referred by the Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts and the Lawyers Alliance for New York. From 2000 to 2001, Mr. Yu served as a law clerk to the Honorable Ariel A. Rodriguez of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division.

Education:

J.D., Rutgers School of Law - Newark (2000)

Rutgers Law Review, Editor

B.A., Johns Hopkins University, with honors (1995)

PANEL SESSION 3

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Hot Topics, Hot Career: Forging a Path in US Immigration Law

Presented by the Immigration and Nationality Law Committee

Panelists: Hon. George Chew, Immigration Judge, US Department of Justice

Tsui Yee, Partner, Yee Durkin & Puri, LLP

Midori Hills, Director, Legal Services of CUNY Citizenship Now!

Moderator: Rio M. Guerrero, The Guerrero Law Firm

Understand what to expect in the coming months and years in the area of immigration law – as the current administration continues to increase enforcement of immigration laws while at the same time seeking to pass immigration reform. Also could a career in U.S. immigration law achieve your goal of an ethical and financially-rewarding law practice? How may it serve the greater good of your community and the country? Come listen to seasoned practitioners provide unique perspectives. This program is geared toward anyone contemplating an immigration law career, including law students, new practitioners and more seasoned practitioners in transition.

Panelists:

Hon. George Chew

Honorable George T. Chew, Immigration Judge at the Executive Office for Immigration Review in New York City:

Judge Chew was appointed as an Immigration Judge in September 1995. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from City College of New York in 1972, and a Juris Doctorate from Antioch School of Law in 1979. From 1985 to 1995, Judge Chew was in private practice in New York. From 1981 to 1984, he was a partner with the Law Offices of Wong & Chew, also in New York. Judge Chew served as a trial attorney for the former Immigration and Naturalization Service in New York from 1979 to 1981. He is a member of the New York Bar.

Tsui Yee

Tsui Yee has been exclusively practicing immigration law since 1999. Ms. Yee received her Juris Doctorate from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law in 1998. While at UCLA she was a Comments Editor for the Asian Pacific American Law Journal and interned for the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Employment Litigation Section. Ms. Yee received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Tufts University in 1993.

Ms. Yee handles a wide variety of immigration matters, with an emphasis on complicated family-based applications for permanent residence, defense in removal (deportation) proceedings, applications for naturalization, and applications for various waivers of inadmissibility, such as for unlawful presence, criminal issues and fraud. In 2005, Ms. Yee was a founding partner of the immigration law firm of Yee & Durkin, LLP, now known as Yee Durkin & Puri LLP. Ms. Yee's pro bono work includes representing applicants for asylum, battered spouses who are self-petitioning for permanent residence pursuant to the Violence Against Women Act, unaccompanied minors in removal proceedings, and volunteering for the annual CUNY/Daily News Citizenship Now! Call-In.

Ms. Yee 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. She is a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association; the New York County Lawyers Association, where she is a member of the Solo and Small Firm Practice Committee; the Korean American Lawyers Association of Greater New York; and the Asian American Bar Association of New York, where she is a co-chair of the Immigration and Nationality Law Committee.

Midori Hills

Midori Hills is the Director of Legal Services of CUNY Citizenship Now! and Staff Attorney at York College Immigration Center. She is a graduate of the CUNY Law School and has worked in Immigration Legal Services since then. Prior to CUNY, she was a Staff Attorney at a legal services office in New York working in employment based immigration for nonprofit organizations and teachers. Midori has provided trainings on a wide variety of immigration issues to lawyers, paralegals and other professionals.

Moderator:

Rio M. Guerrero

Rio Guerrero is the founding and managing member of The Guerrero Law Firm. His practice focuses on employment-based visas and “green cards” for foreign investors, extraordinary ability individuals, artists and entertainers, corporate executives, managers and other professional employees. His firm also provides its corporate clients with services to insure compliance with U.S. immigration and labor laws, including I-9s, LCAs and PERMs.

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, where he serves on the Corporate Immigration Committee and the U.S. Department of Labor Committee for the New York Chapter. He founded and currently co-chairs the AABANY Immigration and Nationality Law Committee.

Further, he frequently serves as a speaker at continuing legal education courses and other pro bono events, concerning U.S. employment-based immigration law, such as “E” investment/trade visas, 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 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.

PANEL SESSION 3

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

For the Asian-American Woman Attorney: Custom Making Your Career

Presented by the Women's Committee

Panelists: Christine Chung, Partner, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP

Peggy Kuo, Chief Hearing Officer, New York Stock Exchange

Lai Sun Yee, AABANY Director

Moderators: Anne Behk, Co-chair, AABANY Women's Committee

Julie Kwon, Co-chair, AABANY Women's Committee

This program will focus on how Asian-American women attorneys facing barriers as double minorities can "custom make" a career for themselves and achieve success. The speakers will share personal stories of their paths to their current positions, including the movement between private and government sectors. They will also provide insight into their working environments, and suggest structures that need to be in place to increase the number of Asian-American women in top positions. Although this program highlights the experiences of women attorneys, we welcome all seeking to create their own pathway to success.

Panelists:

Christine Chung

Christine H. Chung is a partner at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan where she specializes in white collar defense, complex business litigation, and appeals. Ms. Chung formerly served, for twelve years, as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York. She held supervisory positions in the U.S. Attorney's Office, including Chief of Criminal Appeals. From 2004 to 2007, Ms. Chung worked as a war crimes prosecutor at the International Criminal Court in The Hague, where she was the highest-ranking American professional. Ms. Chung has been a Visiting Lecturer at Yale Law School in the field of international criminal law. She obtained a B.A. degree from Yale College and her J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Peggy Kuo

Peggy Kuo is the Chief Hearing Officer at the New York Stock Exchange, where she is in charge of adjudicating all disciplinary matters involving violations of NYSE Rules and federal securities laws by members and member organizations. Her docket covers a wide range of misconduct, including improper sales practices by brokers, unauthorized or unsuitable trades in client accounts, failure to supervise, misappropriation, harassment of customers, and fraud.

Before being appointed as Chief Hearing Officer, Kuo was counsel at WilmerHale LLP, representing corporations and not-for-profit clients primarily with respect to investigations by federal and state regulators and prosecutors, and in civil lawsuits. She was also actively engaged in pro bono work, helping an immigrant wrongly classified as a non-citizen avoid deportation and representing six Bosnians detained at Guantanamo.

From 1998 to 2002, Kuo prosecuted and investigated war crimes and crimes against humanity as a trial attorney with the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in The Hague. She conducted the only trial to focus specifically on mass rape in Bosnia, and also tried a case against a prison camp commander charged with murder, persecution, and torture. In addition, she was a member of the trial team that prosecuted former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic. In 2001, Time magazine profiled Kuo as one of five innovators at the Leading Edge of the Law in an article entitled, "A Power for the Powerless."

Kuo was an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Columbia, handling cases ranging from misdemeanors to drug dealing, armed robbery and homicide. She conducted over sixty jury trials, seventy grand jury investigations, and several 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 throughout the United States involving violations of civil rights, such as police brutality, hate crimes, church arson, and involuntary servitude.

Kuo clerked for Hon. Judith W. Rogers, then the Chief Judge of the D.C. Court of Appeals. She also studied in Berlin as a German Chancellor Fellow, through a leadership program sponsored by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.

Kuo has taught, lectured and commented 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. She serves as a volunteer mediator in commercial and employment cases through the SDNY Mediation Program.

Lai Sun Yee

Lai Sun Yee serves as the Senior Policy Advisor to the DHS/FEMA National Exercise Division. She was a Senior Advisor in Homeland Security for CNA. She was a Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security Distinguished Fellow at the United States Department of Homeland Security/FEMA. She has held a number of executive level positions in the public safety field, including Assistant Deputy Secretary for Homeland Security and Assistant Deputy Secretary of Criminal Justice for New York State. She was the Deputy Commissioner for Legal Affairs and General Counsel to the New York City Office of Emergency Management where, following the 9/11 attacks, she helped reconstitute the City's emergency operations center, establish feeding and respite facilities for the first responders at Ground Zero, and managed other issues pertaining to World Trade Center response and recovery operations. She was the Counsel to the Bronx Borough President. She also served as the General Counsel to the New York State Emergency Management Office and created a Helping Handbook for the survivors of historic flooding in New York. She was an Assistant Fire Commissioner of the Bureau of Investigation and Trials for the Fire Department of New York City.

She is a past president of AABANY and a current Director of AABANY. She is the Chair of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Committee of the ABA Section on State and Local Government Law. She also serves as the Chair of the NAPABA Public Sector Committee

Moderator:

Anne Behk

Anne (Eunhee) Behk graduated from Barnard College, Columbia University and New York Law School. She is a native New Yorker and attended Stuyvesant High School. She practices real estate, wills & trust and immigration law. She is also a volunteer Small Claims Arbitrator and has been an active member of AABANY for the past few years.

Julie Kwon

Julie Kwon is an associate at Milberg LLP, where she focuses her practice primarily on securities class action litigation on behalf of defrauded individual and institutional investors. She was born and raised in New York, and obtained a B.S. degree from Cornell University and her J.D. from Brooklyn Law School. She has been an active member of AABANY for the past three years.

PANEL SESSION 4

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm

Rainmaking and Business Development: The Right Moves to Make it Rain

Presented by the Corporate Law and the Corporate Counsel Committees

Panelists: Katherine M. Choo, Senior Counsel, Litigation and Legal Policy
General Electric Company

Vernon G. Chu, General Counsel, BBC Worldwide Americas, Inc.

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Moderator: Mike F. Huang, Partner, Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP

This roundtable discussion will provide law firm attorneys with a behind-the-scenes look into what in-house lawyers are looking for when hiring outside counsel. Attendees will be offered a rare glimpse into the minds of those in-house counsel that ultimately make the decision on which outside counsel to engage and will have the chance to learn directly from these decision-makers how best to improve upon their business development skills.

Panelists:

Katherine M. Choo

Katy Choo is Senior Counsel, Litigation and Legal Policy, at the General Electric Company. She is one of three national champions leading the Asian Pacific American Forum at GE (APAF), which is comprised of over 9,000 Asian Pacific Americans across the US. As such, Katy and her co-leads drive APAF's national vision for the Company and represent APAF at GE's Corporate Diversity Council. APAF's priorities this year are three-fold: its membership, its communities and Company initiatives.

In her legal role, Katy specializes in government and internal investigations in complex criminal and regulatory matters, compliance initiatives of the Company, and preventive law. She also serves as primary compliance counsel to GE's M&A transactions team and 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. Katy has received numerous management awards while at GE and was the recipient of GE Legal's Diversity Leadership Award in 2009. In 2008, Katy received one of AABNY's Leadership Awards for her accomplishments in the legal profession.

Prior to joining GE, Katy served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York, where she also served as a Chief of the General Crimes Unit and a Deputy Chief in the Criminal Division. As a federal prosecutor, she specialized in prosecutions of white collar offenses and twice was a recipient of the US Department of Justice's Director's Award for Superior Performance (relating to securities fraud, money laundering, and government program fraud prosecutions). Prior to her work as a federal prosecutor, she worked as an associate specializing in complex civil litigation at Davis Polk & Wardwell in New York.

Katherine is a graduate of Wellesley College (Durant Scholar, *Phi Beta Kappa*) and Columbia School of Law (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar).

Vernon G. Chu

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 North 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).

Sanjay Desai

Sanjay is the General Counsel of Trapeze Software Group, an operating group of a worldwide, of publicly-traded software and services company with offices and operations in Canada, the United States and the UK/Europe. An experienced technology and corporate lawyer, Sanjay has been with the

company since its early days as a regionally based start-up company, guiding the company through its growth, as a member of the IPO team, and overseeing its continued domestic and international expansion today. Sanjay is admitted to practice in the Province of Ontario, and is a graduate of the University of Windsor and McGill University.

Robert W. Leung

Robert W. Leung 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 is currently serving as President of AABANY.

Prakash H. Mehta

Prakash Mehta is the co-leader of the firm's investment funds and private equity practices and a member of the firmwide management committee.

Mr. Mehta regularly represents a broad range of investment management clients and advises on complex corporate transactions. He represents private equity and hedge fund sponsors; investment banks; and institutional investors, including endowments, multilateral organizations and multinational groups.

Mr. Mehta regularly advises some of the more prominent private investment fund sponsors and investment banks on all aspects of their business, from capital raising and fund formation to implementation of their business models via complex transactions. Mr. Mehta also advises clients on manager-level transactions such as seed investments in fund managers, the creation of asset managers through joint ventures, and spin-outs of existing asset management teams (including proprietary trading desks). Mr. Mehta's representation of a broad range of asset managers and institutional investors allows him to keep abreast of emerging trends in the private equity, hedge fund and real estate industries. This knowledge and experience is particularly valuable as convergence across asset classes continues to play out in the marketplace.

Mr. Mehta's practice includes advising clients on investment and financing transactions, with particular emphasis on complex international transactions. Mr. Mehta evaluates, structures and negotiates private equity-style investments (minority and control), exit transactions (strategic sale, recapitalization, IPO) and other M&A transactions (joint ventures, stock and asset sales). He provides

ongoing counseling on investor and portfolio company matters and serves as corporate counsel to public and private portfolio companies.

Mr. Mehta has been recognized for his accomplishments in the investment management industry. Mr. Mehta is listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and is on the advisory board of the Emerging Markets Private Equity Association. He has also been ranked by *The National Law Journal* as one of the 50 Most Influential Minority Lawyers in America, as well as by *Institutional Investor* as one of 10 Rising Stars of Private Equity and M&A Law. In addition, he is a regular panelist at the Emerging Market Private Equity Forum and has participated as a speaker at the United Nations High-Level Dialogue on Financing for Development.

Mr. Mehta received his J.D. *magna cum laude* in 1994 from the Georgetown University Law Center, where he served as associate editor of *The Georgetown Law Journal*. He received his B.S.F.S. *summa cum laude* in 1991 from Georgetown University. Mr. Mehta also maintains an office in Washington D.C. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

Moderator:

Mike F. Huang

Mike F. Huang practices in the areas of corporate finance, securities transactions, private investment funds, mergers and acquisitions, and business advisory work.

From 2002-2005, Mr. Huang was associated with Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP. Mr. Huang graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of California at Berkeley in 1999 with an A.B. in Computer Science and Political Economies of Industrial Societies. In 2002, Mr. Huang graduated Columbia Law School, where he was a member of the Columbia Human Rights Law Review and a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.

Mr. Huang co-chairs the Corporate Law Committee of AABANY.

PANEL SESSION 4

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

The ABCs of Your New Practice: The Expectations of a Junior Associate and How to Exceed Them

Presented by the Young Lawyers, Corporate Counsel and Litigation Committees

Panelists: Chang-Do Gong, Partner, Dewey LeBoeuf

Linda S. Lin, Counsel, Liberty International Underwriters

Devjani Mishra, Partner, Seyfarth Shaw LLP

Duane M. Morikawa, Director and Counsel, Natixis North America LLC

Clara Ohr, Assistant General Counsel, Hess Corp.

Moderator: Hyorim Suh, Associate, : Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP

This roundtable discussion will provide junior associates with insight as to what expectations are had of them throughout the course of a case or transaction. The program will feature both partners at law firms as well as in-house counsel, in order to provide guidance from both perspectives, as someone who is managing the matter and a client receiving legal services. Junior associates can expect to learn what substantive and procedural expectations partners and clients have of them in any case or transaction.

Panelists:

Chang-Do Gong

Chang-Do Gong is a partner in Dewey & LeBoeuf's Mergers & Acquisitions Group. He has represented acquirors, targets, boards of directors, special committees and investment banks in several complex domestic and cross-border, negotiated and unsolicited, and public and private transactions, including The Walt Disney Company, Eli Lilly and Company, Sony Corporation of America, Sumitomo Corporation, AXA Financial, Inc., MedImmune, Inc., Zimmer Holdings, Inc., Omnicare, Inc., Actavis Group h.f., Illumina, Inc., CNET Networks, Inc., JPMorgan Infrastructure Investments Fund, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and Bank of America Merrill Lynch.

Mr. Gong has participated in a number of significant transactions, including:

- MedImmune, Inc. in its \$15.2 billion acquisition by AstraZeneca PLC.
- Sony Corporation of America in its \$4.9 billion acquisition of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. with a consortium of acquirors.
- The Walt Disney Company in its \$4.0 billion acquisition of Marvel Entertainment, Inc.
- Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, financial advisor to Ventana MedicalSystems Inc., in connection with Roche Holding AG's \$3.4 billion acquisition of Ventana.
- Zimmer Holdings, Inc. in its \$3.4 billion unsolicited acquisition of Centerpulse AG and InCentive Capital AG.
- CNET Networks, Inc. in its \$1.8 billion acquisition by CBS Corporation.
- Omnicare, Inc. in its \$1.8 billion unsolicited acquisition of NeighborCare Inc. and \$460 million unsolicited acquisition of NCS HealthCare, Inc.
- King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. in its \$1.6 billion unsolicited acquisition of Alharma Inc.
- USI Holdings Corp. in its \$1.4 billion acquisition by GS Capital Partners.
- Lee Enterprises, Inc. and its financial advisor, Lazard Freres, in connection with Lee's \$1.45 billion acquisition of Pulitzer Inc.
- PSEG Global in its \$1.2 billion sale of the SAESA Group of Companies to a consortium formed by Morgan Stanley Infrastructure and the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan.
- Actavis Group hf. in its \$810.0 million acquisition of the human generics business of Alharma Inc. and \$600.0 million acquisition of Amide Holdings, Inc.
- Qatar Telecom Q.S.C. in its \$800.0 million acquisition of Series B Shares and American Depositary Shares of PT Indosat Tbk.
- PRA International in its \$790.0 million acquisition by Genstar Capital.
- Dendrite International, Inc. in its \$751.0 million acquisition by Cegecim S.A.
- Illumina, Inc. in its \$600.0 million acquisition of Solexa, Inc.
- Darwin Professional Underwriters, Inc. in its \$550 million acquisition by Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, Ltd.
- AXA Financial, Inc. in its \$400 million sale of The Advest Group to Merrill Lynch & Co.
- Sony Corporation of America and Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. in their \$435 million acquisition of InterTrust Technologies Corporation.
- The Talbots, Inc. in its \$75 million sale of the J. Jill business to Golden Gate Capital.
- JPMorgan Infrastructure Investments Fund in connection with its majority investments in CNG Holdings, Inc. and Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P.
- Sony Pictures Entertainment Inc. in its joint venture with Discovery Communications and IMAX Corporation to create a 3D television network.

Education:

Northwestern University School of Law, 1999, J.D.

Yonsei University Graduate School of International Studies, 1996, M.A. (Political Science)

Yonsei University, 1990, B.A. (Political Science)

Linda S. Lin

Linda S. Lin is counsel at Liberty International Underwriters (“LIU”), a division of Liberty Mutual Group. Linda supports LIU and its businesses with respect to securities and employment matters. Prior to joining LIU, she was a litigation associate at the law firm of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP where she specialized in securities litigation, white collar criminal defense, securities enforcement matters, internal investigations, and complex commercial litigation. She also represented pro bono clients in both family law and political asylum matters. She also served as law clerk to the Hon. Dora L. Irizarry, U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. Linda received her B.A. in Philosophy Politics and Law with honors from Binghamton University and her Juris Doctorate *cum laude* from Brooklyn Law School, where she was a member of the Moot Court Honor Society.

Linda is currently the President-Elect of the Asian American Bar Association of New York (“AABANY”). She has been an active member and leader of AABANY since 2005. She led the effort to re-constitute AABANY’s Young Lawyers Committee and served as its co-chair from 2005 to 2008. She also served as Director from 2007-2009, Executive Recording Secretary from 2006-2007, and co-chaired AABANY’s litigation committee from 2008-2009. Linda has also served as an active member of AABANY’s Annual Banquet committee for the past 4 years. In addition, Linda spearheaded two prominent projects through AABANY: (1) the Joint Minority Bar Judicial Internship Program (“JMB JIP”) and (2) the AABANY Advocate. The JMB JIP places law students in judicial internships with federal, state and local judges around the New York City area. She also created the AABANY Advocate, AABANY’s quarterly newsletter. She served as the AABANY Advocate’s co-Editor-in-Chief, recruited and managed the writing staff, designed the newsletter layout, and published many widely-read issues of the newsletter.

Devjani Mishra

Ms. Mishra is a partner practicing labor and employment law in the New York office of Seyfarth Shaw LLP. She has represented employers in all aspects of employment litigation, including: workplace discrimination, harassment, and retaliation claims; wage and hour actions under the Fair Labor Standards Act and other statutes; suits under the Family and Medical Leave Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, and the Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act; common law non-competition and non-solicitation disputes; and numerous other actions under federal, state, and local law. Ms. Mishra has substantial trial experience and has successfully litigated cases in federal and state courts and agencies in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Florida, and Vermont.

Ms. Mishra also regularly conducts training and counsels management on a wide range of topics, including: avoiding discrimination; conducting internal investigations and compliance assessments; conducting glass ceiling and diversity assessments; handling employee leave and accommodation requests; implementing reductions in force; addressing Web 2.0-related issues in the workplace; and managing employee performance.

Duane M. Morikawa

Duane is a Director and Counsel with Natixis North America LLC, which is the U.S. subsidiary of Natixis, the second largest banking group in France. Duane 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, Duane 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.

Clara Ohr

Clara J. Ohr is an Assistant General Counsel – Trading at Hess Corporation in New York, NY where she supports the supply and trading of energy commodities (physical crude oil, refined petroleum products, natural gas, and electric power) including the financial derivatives relating thereto, foreign exchange and interest rate swaps, and equity derivatives. Clara also has extensive experience ranging from renewable and traditional energy project finance to emerging-market export and trade finance, foreign restructurings, general corporate law, asset-backed securitizations, and municipal finance offerings. Prior to joining Hess Corporation, Clara previously served as Counsel at Axiom in New York, NY supporting the Energy Commodities Group at Deutsche Bank AG, an Associate in the Project Finance Group at Chadbourne & Parke LLP in New York, NY, Transactional Counsel at the Export-Import Bank of the United States in Washington, DC, and an Associate in the Finance Group of Kutak Rock LLP in Omaha, NE.

Clara has served on the Board of Directors of the Asian American Bar Association of New York (AABANY) since 2008 and is also Co-Chair of AABANY's Corporate Counsel Committee. Outside of the office, Clara is a soprano in the Choral Society of Grace Church, a pianist, and avid cyclist.

Clara received her J.D. from the University of Minnesota Law School, which included an exchange program in comparative international law at Uppsala University in Sweden. She also holds a Masters of Music in Piano Performance from the Peabody Conservatory of Music of The Johns Hopkins University, and a Bachelors of Arts in East Asian Studies cum laude from Harvard College.

Moderator:

Hyorim Suh

Hyorim Suh is a corporate associate in the asset management group at Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP where she specializes in private equity fund formation counseling. She previously worked in the litigation group focusing mainly on securities litigation. She received her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law and was the Articles Development Editor for the Journal of Law & Politics. She received her B.A. in Political Science from Yale University.