

**2021 AABANY Fall Conference : Uniting for Justice and Equity**

**ACHIEVING JUSTICE AND EQUITY THROUGH  
LITIGATION (3B)**

**(OCT. 23, 2021, 10:45AM – 12:15PM)**

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**Program Chair:** Christopher Leung, Partner, Pollock Cohen LLP

**Speakers:**

- [Bill Lann Lee](#), Chair and Senior Counsel, Civil Rights Education and Enforcement Center
- [Steven C. Wu](#), Deputy Solicitor General, New York State Office of the Attorney General
- [Lindsay Nako](#), Director of Litigation and Training, Impact Fund
- [Christopher Leung](#), Partner, Pollock Cohen LLP

**Moderator:** [Evelyn Gong](#), The Law Office of Evelyn Gong, PLLC

**Topic:** The panel will discuss how litigation is used in different ways to achieve justice and equity, not only for the AAPI community but also other communities and groups that have been discriminated against or targeted. The discussion will touch on cases led by Asian American attorneys, including Bill Lann Lee, the former Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights during the Clinton Administration; Steven Wu, Deputy Solicitor General to the New York State Attorney General's Office; Lindsay Nako, Director of Litigation and Training at the Impact Fund; and Christopher Leung, a partner at the litigation boutique, Pollock Cohen LLP.

The panel will also address the practice more generally, the representation of Asian American attorneys in litigation, and what Asian American attorneys can do to help advance the larger causes of unity, justice, and equity.

**Materials:**

- *Fisher v. Univ. of Texas, et al.*, No. 11-345 (U.S. S.Ct.), Amici Curiae Br. on behalf of American Center for Advancing Justice, Asian Law Caucus, Asian Pacific American Legal Center, and Asian American Institute
- *Donald J. Trump v. State of New York, et al.*, No. 20-366 (U.S. S.Ct.), Br. for State of New York and other Gov't Appellees

- *Dep't of Commerce, et al. v. State of New York*, No. 18-966 (U.S. S.Ct.), Br. for Gov't Respondents
- *African American Tobacco Control Leadership Council, et al. v. U.S. Dep't of Health and Human Services, et al.*, No. 4:20-cv-4012-KAW (N.D. Cal.), First Amended Compl.

**Agenda:**

- I. Introductions (5 min.)
- II. Discussion (75 min.)
  - a. Impact Litigation & Cases (25 min.)
  - b. Career Trajectory & Challenges (25 min.)
  - c. Experience & Reflections (25 min.)
- III. Questions & Answers (10 min.)