



ASIAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON
OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT
2017 OFFICERS AND BOARD POSITIONS

All official ballots must be submitted at or before the election meeting to be held on
December 9, 2016, 6:00 p.m., at Joyale Seafood Restaurant, 900 S Jackson St, Seattle, WA

Table with 3 columns: Office, NAME, YES. Rows include PresidentElect (1 year term) with candidate Janene Sohng, Vice President (1 year term) with candidate Hugh Matsubayashi, Secretary (1 year term) with candidate Qingqing Miao, Treasurer (1 year term) with candidate Michael Kim, Board Position #4 (2 year term vacated by Janene Sohng) with candidate Michelle Chen, Board Position #10 (3 year term) with candidate Lisa Dickinson, Board Position #11 (3 year term) with candidate Aileen Tsao, and Board Position #12 (3 year term) with candidate Carmen Wong. Each row includes a 'Write In:' section with a dotted line and a horizontal line.

Board Position #13
(3 year term)

John Laney: _____
..... _____
Write In: _____

Continuing Board Members:

- President:** Andrea Chin (1 year term)
- Board Position #1** (and Communications/Social Media Chair) Jason Cruz (1 year remaining)
- Board Position #2** (and Mentorship Committee Chair) Jeanie Gong (1 year remaining)
- Board Position #3** vacant (1 year remaining)
- Board Position #5:** (and Membership Committee Chair) James Chung (2 years remaining)
- Board Position #6:** Jessica Tsao (2 years remaining)
- Board Position #7:** (Social Committee Co-Chair) Katie Cameron (2 years remaining)
- Board Position #8:** (and ID Clinic Chair) Serin Ngai (2 year remaining)
- Board Position #9:** Derek Chen (2 years remaining)

- *Non-voting representatives
- ***Immediate Past President:** Dainen Penta (1 year term)
- ***NAPABA Regional Representative:** Dainen Penta
- ***IDGC Representative:** Neal Luna
- ***Rapid Response Committee:** Lori Bannai

Signature of Voting Member: _____	Date: _____
Print Name: _____	

President-Elect: Janene Sohng

Janene Sohng is a hearings judge for the Washington Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals, where she presides over cases involving injured workers and workplace safety violations. Prior to that, she was an administrative law judge at the Washington Department of Revenue, where she adjudicated disputes between taxpayers and the Department. Prior to working for the state, Ms. Sohng practiced in the areas of federal income taxation and estate planning with Dechert LLP in New York, NY, Holland & Knight LLP in Portland, OR, and Monahan & Bigai in Seattle, WA. Ms. Sohng earned a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Washington in 1996, J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1999, and LLM in Taxation from New York University School of Law in 2002.

Vice President and Gala Committee Co-Chair:
Hugh Matsubayashi

Hugh Matsubayashi is a partner at K&L Gates LLP, specializing in patent prosecution and intellectual property transactions. He has held board positions in numerous non-profit organizations, including the ABAW, Ryther, the Asian Law Alliance, and the Asian Pacific Bar Association of Silicon Valley. Hugh graduated from UC Berkeley and the University of Washington School of Law, and has worked in a variety of in house and private practice positions over his 19 year legal career.

Secretary: Qingqing Miao

Qingqing Miao is an associate at Lane Powell. Qingqing focuses her practice on immigration and business law. Qingqing has been with the ABAW board since 2012. Qingqing is currently serving as the Vice Chair of the Washington Chapter of the American

Immigration Lawyers Association. She earned her J.D. from Lewis & Clark Law School and her bachelor’s degree in English Literature and Linguistics from Peking University.

Treasurer: Michael Kim

Michael Kim is a tax consultant with Deloitte Tax LLP in their Multistate Tax Services group. He assists clients seeking to understand or mitigate exposure to state and local tax liability, prepares complex state and local tax compliance filings, and researches developments in state and local tax statutes and regulations. Michael was previously a judicial clerk/bailiff and an associate attorney practicing family and immigration law. He received a BA in Economics and Spanish from Claremont McKenna College, and a JD and LLM (Taxation) from the University of Washington School of Law. He enjoys cooking and Crossfit and is a former holder of the Guinness World Record for “Longest Distance Traveled by Rail in 24 Hours.”

Board Position No. 4: Michelle Chen

Michelle Chen is Senior Project Manager at the City of Seattle. She works on legislative and policy issues in affordable housing, land use and real estate development. Prior to the City, she worked for United States Senator Maria Cantwell in Washington, DC and as a private attorney at a Seattle law firm. She has served two terms as President of the Korean American Bar Association. She is a graduate of Leadership Tomorrow. After graduating from Bryn Mawr College she completed her law degree and Masters in Public Administration from the University of Washington.

Board Position No. 10: Lisa Dickinson

Lisa Dickinson practices in the areas of commercial law, civil litigation, small business law and probate matters at Dickinson Law

Firm, PLLC in Spokane. She also serves as a Tribal Court Appellate Justice at NICS and Nez Perce Tribe, and as a Pro Tem Trial Court Judge in Tribal Courts. In her spare time, she serves as a Pro Tem Administrative Law Judge at the Office of Administrative Hearings. When not working or flying around, she serves various organizations and boards, recently as an ABAW Past-President, Northwest Tribal Court Judges' Association Vice-President, the Minority and Justice Commission, American Bar Association TIPS Ethics & Professionalism Chair and Business Litigation Committee Chair Elect, and as First Vice Chair on the Washington State Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs.

Board Position No. 11: Aileen Tsao

Aileen Tsao is an attorney with the King County Department of Public Defense - The Defender Association Division. Aileen graduated from Seattle University Law School and received her Bachelor's from the University of Toronto. Aileen has also worked in family law, immigration law, and volunteered as a cooperating attorney with the ACLU. Aileen is also on the Board of Directors for New Horizons Ministries, a nonprofit that works with homeless youth.

Board Position No. 12: Carmen Wong

Carmen Wong was formerly an attorney with Perkins Coie, where her practice focused on patents and intellectual property. Her involvement with ABAW started in 2009 when she was a student liaison for University of Washington School of Law. She has served as Vice President, Treasurer, and Social Committee Co-Chair for ABAW. Carmen is also a 2015 Washington Leadership Institute Fellow. She is a Seattle native and went to University of Washington for both undergraduate and law school.

Board Position No. 13: John Laney

John Laney was recently elected into the partnership at Stoel Rives (effective January 1), and represents clients in corporate governance matters; mergers and acquisitions; and corporate, securities and financing transactions. John has recently advised clients in the business consulting, energy, food & beverage, healthcare, manufacturing industries and other industries. John has previously served ABAW as a board member, Mentorship Chair, Scholarship Chair and emcee of the annual gala. In addition, John is a past president of the ABAWSSF and is also an active member of FLOW. John was included on the Inaugural Hot List (Western Region) by Lawyers of Color (recognizing 100 early-to mid-career minority attorneys under the age of 40), listed among Rising Stars (Business/Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions, Securities & Corporate Finance) by Washington Super Lawyers and named a Top Contributor to the Asian American Community by Northwest Asian Weekly.