

Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Virginia, Inc.

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Dear Educators:

Each spring, members of the Northern Virginia legal community present The Color of Justice, a program geared towards inspiring minority high school students about the law. The program is made possible through a collaboration of the Arlington County Bar Association, the Alexandria Bar Association, the Fairfax Bar Association, the Hispanic Bar Association of Virginia, the Virginia Chapter of the National Association of Women Judges, the Northern Virginia Black Attorneys Association, the Northern Virginia Chapter of the Virginia Women Attorneys Association, and the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Virginia.

The host court for this year's program is the Fairfax County Circuit Court. The program will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at the Fairfax County Circuit Court. The Color of Justice begins at 10:00 a.m. and adjourns at 2:30 p.m., with student check-in beginning at 9:30 a.m. The program includes a mock trial, followed by small group sessions, and a Q&A panel discussion with influential members of the legal community. Additionally, we invite the students to participate in an essay contest for the chance to win monetary awards. Announcement of the essay contest winners will occur at the program's conclusion. Lunch will be provided for participants.

I write to ask that you share information about this program with your students and guidance staff. Attached along with this letter is a copy of the student registration form.

Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the event. In past years, some districts elected to transport the students in large groups. Should this be a consideration for your school/district, please have the appropriate official contact me so that I can begin organizing parking arrangements.

In the meantime, if you have questions or need additional information, please contact me via email at <u>jenlee131@gmail.com</u>.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Lee