



Asian American Bar Association of New York

AABANY's mission is to foster the meaningful participation of Asian American Pacific Islanders in the legal field through the study, practice, and fair administration of law.

We advance diversity and inclusion through professional development, legal scholarship, advocacy, and engagement of the AAPI community. We seek to support the legal interests and serve the needs of the AAPI community.

AABANY supports the community through the following initiatives.

AABANY ANTI-ASIAN VIOLENCE TASK FORCE (AAVTF)

- 2023 Grantee: The Asian American Foundation (TAAF) NYC Anti-Hate Network Project
- Published two reports on anti-Asian violence:
 - *A Rising Tide of Hate and Violence against Asian Americans in New York During COVID-19: Impact, Causes, Solutions* (2021)
 - *Endless Tide: The Continuing Struggle to Overcome Anti-Asian Hate in New York* (2022)
- Hate Eradication Active Response Team (HEART): Attorney volunteers drawn from AABANY membership to assist survivors of hate crimes and bias incidents to obtain justice and assistance to recover
- Produced 30-minute documentary, "Voices Against Anti-Asian Hate," with the Asian American Law Fund of New York (AALFNY), this impactful film highlights the surge of anti-Asian attacks during the pandemic and the critical work of HEART. Nominated for Best Short Documentary by the New York Independent Art Film Fest, 2025.

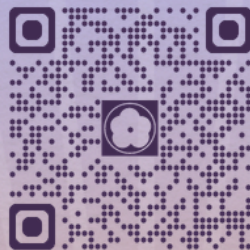
**To view the trailer for the documentary,
scan the QR code.**



AABANY PRO BONO LEGAL CLINICS

Since 2015, assisted nearly 2,000 members of the AANHPI community in Manhattan, Queens, and Brooklyn, providing general legal advice and information to an immigrant population with limited English proficiency, in collaboration with community organizations such as Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE), Chinese Chamber of Commerce of New York (CCCNY), Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (CCBA), United Chinese Association of Brooklyn, Chinese-American Planning Council (CPC) - Brooklyn, and VNS Health

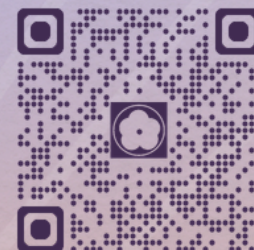
**For more information, visit
probono.aabany.org or scan the QR code.**



AABANY LEGAL REFERRAL AND INFORMATION SERVICE (LRIS)

- Since 2020, our LRIS is the only legal referral service in the country that serves AANHPI individuals seeking legal representation that is both linguistically and culturally competent.
- Received the 2022 Cindy A. Raisch Award at the 2022 ABA National Lawyer Referral Workshop as the only ABA-Recognized legal referral service in the country offering assistance in four Asian languages.

To learn more, visit legalreferral.aabany.org.



AABANY was an honoree at the Chinatown Manpower Project 2025 Law & Justice Gala, recognized for our essential work in advocating for rights, advancing the interests of immigrants, amplifying Asian American voices and ensuring justice for all.