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AGENDA

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5:30 **Cocktail Reception**

6:20 **Welcome**

Phil Kim

Proclamation

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Scholarship Presentation

Presented by: Jacob Yang

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**Recognition of Past KABA-SD Officers & Board of Directors & Award
(Jenny Yoo Williams)**

Presented by: Jin Hee Park

Induction of 2023-2024 KABA-SD Officers and Board of Directors

The Honorable Kelly Mok, Superior Court for San Diego
County of California

Incoming KABA-SD President's Remarks

Jin Hee Park

7:00 **Dinner**

By Angel Catering

7:30 **Keynote Speaker**

Beong-Soo Kim, Senior Vice President and General Counsel,
Office of the General Counsel, University of Southern California

Performance

By San Diego Korean Pungmul Institute

Closing Remarks

Jin Hee Park

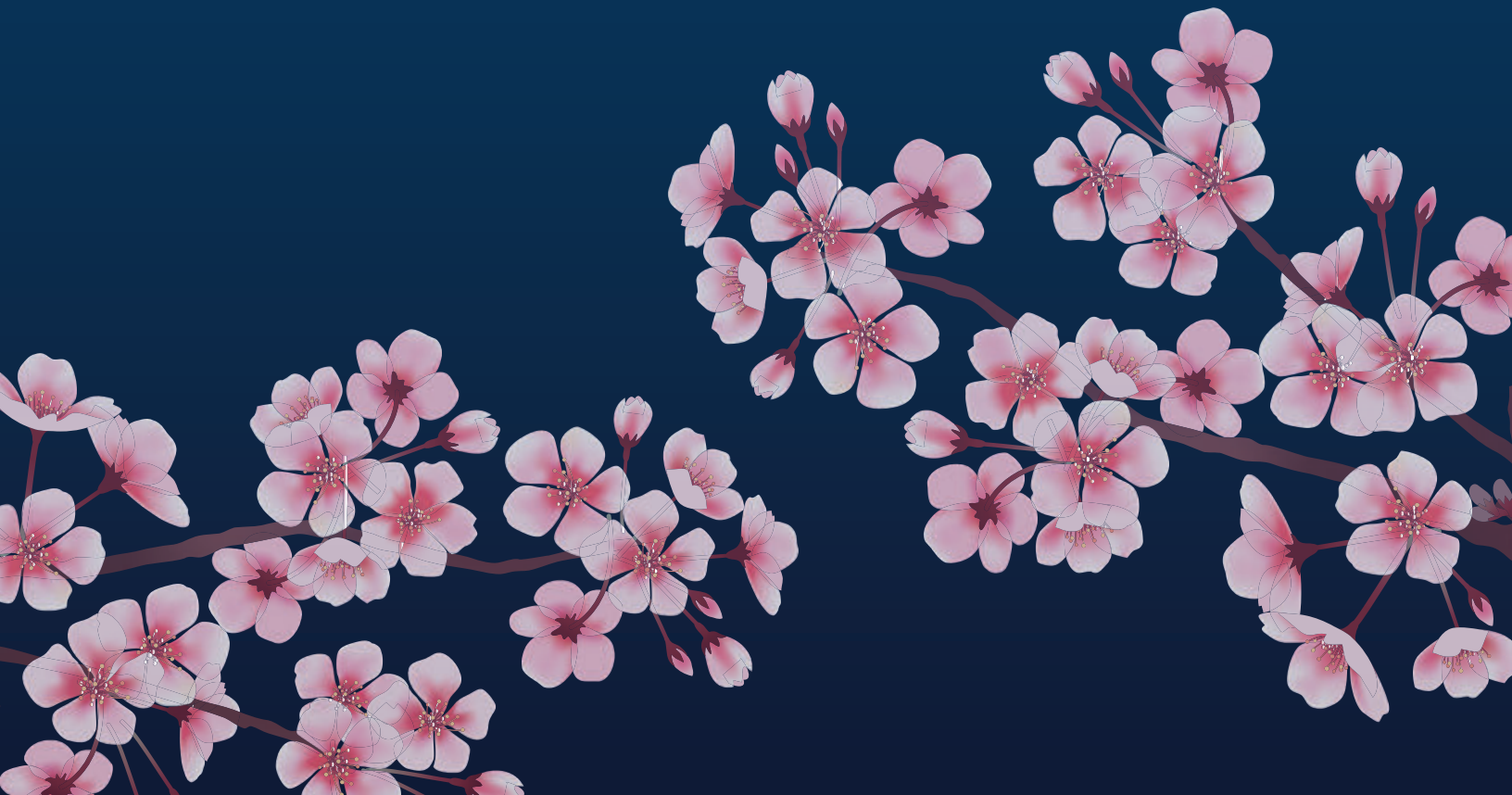
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President's Letter

Dear Friends of KABA-SD,

Thank you for joining us for our 13th Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers and Board of Directors. This annual gathering is not only a time for us to celebrate our achievements and milestones but also an opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to our shared missions and values.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to our members, volunteers, and supporters who have dedicated their time and resources for KABA-SD. This event was possible because of the incredible dedication and hard work that each and every one of you has put into at your own position and calling. I am so honored to share this moment with you.

I am honored to be part of KABA-SD and continue my presidency in 2023-2024. I look forward to another great year. Thank you for your continued support and being part of this remarkable journey.

Here is to our strength that binds us and the solidarity that fuels us. Gunbae!

Your truly,

Jin Hee Park

President, KABA-SD 2023-2024



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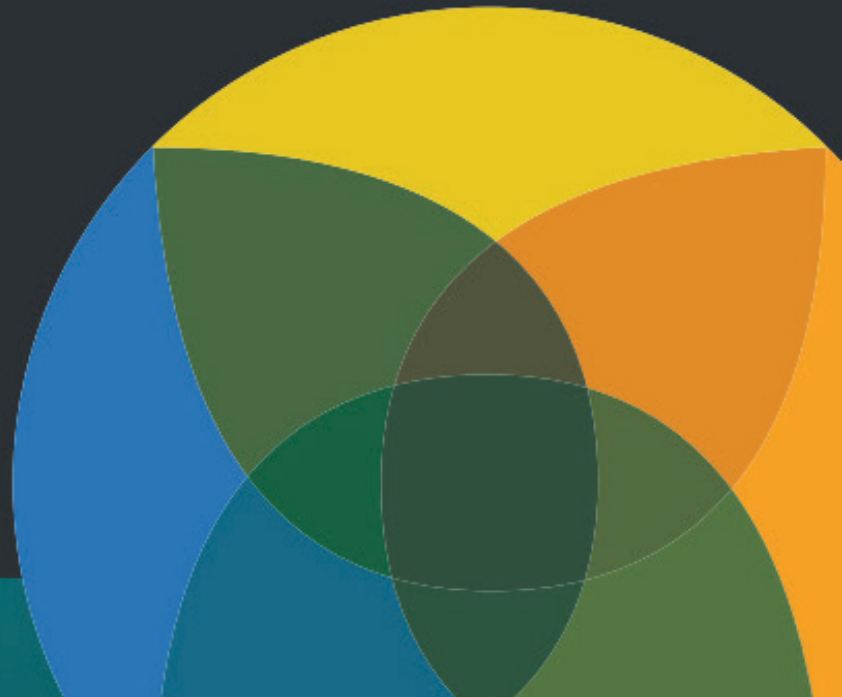
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Mary Cronkleton

Mary Cronkleton is a 3L at the University of San Diego School of Law. Originally from Omaha, Nebraska, Mary earned a bachelors in History and Business Administration from Creighton University and took a gap year to work on a Congressional Campaign before attending law school. While in law school, Mary has served as a student representative for KABA-SD and creates flyers for our events. She is currently the President of USD's Asian Pacific American Law Student Association (APALSA). After law school, Mary will be an Associate Attorney at Hughes & Pizzuto, APC, a trust and estates firm in downtown San Diego.



Brian Goh

Originally from San Bernardino, Brian moved to Tennessee to attend college where he earned his Bachelor's degree before returning to Southern California to attend law school. Brian is currently a 3L at California Western School of Law where he participates on the trial team. He has previously served as Vice President of the Asian Pacific American Law Student Association and a student representative of both PALSD and KABA-SD. Upon graduating, he will be returning to work for the Riverside County District Attorney's Office where he hopes to continue pursuing justice for underserved communities.



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Jenny Yoo Williams



Jenny Yoo Williams serves as a law clerk to Chief Judge Dana M. Sabraw of the Southern District of California. She previously served as a law clerk to District Judge Barry Ted Moskowitz for eight years. In between her clerkships, Jenny served as the Director of Legislative Affairs and as a Policy Advisor for the San Diego City Council. She also worked as an associate at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP.

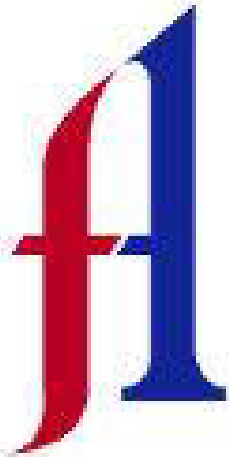
Jenny is a proud founding member of the Korean American Bar Association of San Diego and the San Diego Asian American Legal Education Fund. She has served as Regional Governor of San Diego and Orange County for the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association and as Treasurer for the

Pan Asian Lawyers of San Diego (PALSD). She currently serves on the Advisory Committee for PALSD.

Jenny was born in Seoul, South Korea, and was raised in Vancouver, Canada. She is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Brown University and earned a law degree and Certificate in Refugees and Humanitarian Emergencies at Georgetown Law School. She enjoys spending time with her husband Rob, who is a patent litigator at DLA Piper, and their two young children.



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Beong-Soo Kim

Beong-Soo Kim serves as the senior vice president and general counsel of the University of Southern California. As general counsel, he is responsible for providing legal and strategic advice across all of USC's administrative functions, schools, and departments, as well as Keck Medicine of USC.

Prior to his appointment in July 2020, Mr. Kim served for almost six years as vice president in the national legal department of Kaiser Permanente, where he advised senior leadership and the board on significant legal, regulatory, and compliance risks across all of its markets and operations.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Kim served for nearly nine years as a federal prosecutor in the United States Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. He was ultimately promoted to chief of the major frauds section, a 36-attorney unit dedicated to prosecuting significant financial crimes across Southern California and the nation. Kim subsequently joined the partnership of Jones Day, where he represented major corporate, governmental, and nonprofit clients in high-stakes civil and criminal litigation, appeals, and investigations.

Mr. Kim began his legal career as a law clerk on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and as an associate at the law firm of Munger, Tolles & Olson. He holds an undergraduate degree from Harvard College, a Master of Science degree from the London School of Economics, and a law degree from Harvard Law School.





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Judge Kelly Mok



Judge Mok was appointed to the bench in January 2016 and was the first Korean American judge to join the San Diego Superior Court. Her judicial experience includes family and criminal law, adoptions and drug court. Judge Mok currently presides over criminal trials in the north county branch of the superior court where she serves as the assistant supervising judge.

Prior to her appointment, Judge Mok served as a San Diego deputy district attorney for 22 years. During that time, she served in various supervising roles including assistant chief of the north county branch and supervising deputy district attorney in the family protection unit.

FEATURED ENTERTAINMENT

Pungmulban



San Diego Korean Pungmul Institute (SDKPI) is a non-profit organization composed of volunteers dedicated to spreading Korean traditional culture in Southern California. The group has performed all over Southern California at parades, festivals, weddings, conferences, schools, and all kinds of special events. SDKPI strives to provide a space for those interested in Korean traditional culture and to make a positive impact on the community through music and dance.

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