



**STOP
ASIAN
HATE**

COMBATING ANTI-ASIAN VIOLENCE

The panel will address issues around combatting the recent spate of violence against Asian Americans and immigrants across the United States. Topics to be covered include the definition of hate crimes, prosecution of such crimes, issues of interest to the Asian community, additional actions anticipated under the current Biden administration, President Biden's proclamation on Anti-Asian bias, and the Supreme Court's *Korematsu* decision.

MODERATORS AND SPEAKERS:

Geoffrey A. Hoffman – UHLC Clinical Professor; Director, Immigration Clinic
Reika A. Nakayama – President, Asian Law Students Association

PANELISTS:

Justice Frances Bourliot, 14th Court of Appeals for the State of Texas
Sharad Khandelwal, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Deputy Criminal Chief,
Human Rights & Organized Crime Section
Gordon Quan, Immigration Attorney and Asian Community leader

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FRIDAY, APRIL 9 | 4:30 PM – 6 PM (CDT) | Zoom

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BIOGRAPHIES



JUSTICE FRANCES BOURLIOT

Frances Bourliot was elected to the Fourteenth Court of Appeals in 2018. Justice Bourliot began her legal career as a staff attorney with the Texas Defender Service and the Texas Innocence Network, representing indigent capital clients on federal and state habeas appeals. She was also an Adjunct Faculty Member at the University of Houston Law Center for several years overseeing the Death Penalty Clinic and co-teaching Innocence Investigations. She then joined the Appellate Division of the Harris County Public Defender's Office when it opened in 2011 and continued to work as an Assistant Public Defender in the appellate, mental health, and felony trial divisions until 2017 when she started her own practice. She joined a plaintiff's law firm in 2018 and represented clients in personal injury, medical malpractice, and appellate matters.

Justice Bourliot has taught CLEs on *Batson* challenges, jury charge issues, mitigation, and mental health related topics.

Justice Bourliot received her J.D. from the University of Houston Law Center and a Bachelor of Arts from Tufts University.



GEOFFREY A. HOFFMAN

Professor Hoffman is the director of the Immigration Clinic at the University of Houston Law Center and a clinical professor. He specializes in immigration-related federal court litigation, deportation defense, asylum cases, and appeals before the Board of Immigration Appeals. He has represented numerous immigrants in a variety of settings including before the Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Homeland Security, and in the federal courts. Professor Hoffman served as co-counsel before the Supreme Court of the United States in the precedent-setting immigration case, *Carachuri-Rosendo v. Holder*.

Professor Hoffman is a frequent commentator on immigration law and policy. He has been quoted in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Time*, *Mother Jones*, *Reuters*, *Bloomberg News*, *Houston Chronicle*, among other outlets. He has published articles in the following representative law reviews: *Maryland Journal of International Law*, *Journal of Gender, Race, and Justice at the University of Iowa*, *Houston J. of Int'l Law-Sidebar*, *Houston Law Review-Online*, *Nova Law Review*, *Loyola L.A. Int'l and Comparative L.J.* He also has published pieces in *Salon.com*, *Jurist*, *Immigration Professor's Blog*, *Lexis Nexis Immigration Legal News*, and *Notice and Comment*, a blog from the *Yale Journal on Regulation*, among other venues.



SHARAD S. KHANDELWAL

Sharad S. Khandelwal is a federal prosecutor at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas. He is currently the Deputy Criminal Chief of the Human Rights and Organized Crime Section, where he oversees a dozen prosecutors and the civil rights, child exploitation and sex trafficking, immigration fraud, and organized crime caseloads. Assistant U.S. Attorney Khandelwal graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 1995, and the University of Michigan Law School in 1998, and clerked for the Hon. Carl E. Stewart, who serves on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He has served as a federal prosecutor for over fifteen years, and received the 2015 Prosecutor of the Year Award from the DEA, Houston Division. Three years ago, he led the trial team in *United States v. Marq Perez*,

No. 17-35, which prosecuted the 2017 hate crime arson of the mosque in Victoria, Texas. He received the Attorney General's Award for this successful prosecution, which resulted in an almost 25-year sentence.

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REIKA A. NAKAYAMA

Reika Nakayama is the President of the Asian Law Students Association (ALSA) at the University of Houston Law Center and a second-year law student. Starting Fall 2021, she will be a Senior Articles Editor for the *Houston Journal of Health Law and Policy*, and her paper is scheduled for publication in Volume 22. Prior to law school, she received a Bachelor of Laws in 2017 from Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan. This summer, she will be working at Masuda, Funai, Eifert & Mitchell, a Chicago-based full-service law firm noted for its extensive international clientele.



GORDON QUAN

Gordon Quan is a long-time community advocate serving as former Mayor Pro Tem and Houston City Councilmember. Quan has also served as chair/president of the Asian Bar Association, the Asian Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese American Citizen Alliance, and the Texas Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association among other organizations. He currently chairs the East Downtown Houston Redevelopment Authority and Education Committee for the Asia Society, Texas Center. He is board certified in Immigration and Nationality Law and has been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in America.