JOINT TASK FORCE ON REVERSING THE SCHOOL TO PRISON PIPELINE
Cosponsored by: ABA Solo, Small Firm and General Practice Division; and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association

Saturday April 18, 2015
12:30-2:30
Moana Surfrider
2365 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu, HI 96815
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Facing Future: The School-to-Prison Pipeline, Share Your Mana’o

The phrase “the School-to-Prison Pipeline” has become shorthand for the continuing failures in the education system. The failures have resulted in students of color being disproportionately over or incorrectly categorized as in need of special education, and disproportionately and more harshly disciplined. The failures mean that students of color disproportionately achieve at lower levels. Many eventually drop, or are pushed out of, school, often ending up in juvenile justice facilities and prisons.

At the Town Hall Meeting, we invite members of the community to join us, along with bar leaders, leaders interested in implicit bias and the ramifications for disproportionality in education, and experts who have developed successful programs and projects across the country. The goal of the forum is to bring together a national gathering of key entities and organizations to recognize ongoing research and programmatic intervention, and to develop an action plan to address the components of the school-to-prison pipeline dilemma. The meeting is a critical opportunity for organizations and individuals who are interested in developing a collaborative plan of action.

We invite all who are engaged with this issue to ask questions, offer insights, and showcase their programs. Please bring any publications you may have and please plan to stay for the reception and continue networking.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN ABA MEMBER TO ATTEND & THERE IS NO COST, but we do ask that you register so we can plan. For details, please contact Sharris Davis Interim Program Assistant to Rachel Patrick, Director ABA Coalition on Racial & Ethnic Justice, (312) 988-5409, Sharris.Davis@americanbar.org

Panelists:
Carl Ackerman, Director, Clarence T. C. Ching PUEO Program, Punahou School
Nancy Budd, Attorney, State of Hawai’i Board of Education
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Kim Greeley, Attorney, COREJ, Honolulu, Hawaii, Moderator
Jenny Lee, Staff Attorney, Hawai’i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice
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Jason P. Nance, Associate Professor of Law & Associate Director for Education Law and Policy, University of Florida
Mark Patterson, Warden, Hawai’i Youth Correctional Facilities
The Honorable Karen M. Radius, Founding Judge, The Hawai’i Girls Court
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