



Hispanic Issues Section
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**HISPANIC ISSUES SECTION STATEMENT CONDEMNING RACISM
AGAINST ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS**

The Hispanic Issues Sections values inclusion, equal opportunities for all, and equal treatment for all persons.

Recently, persons of Asian descent have been attacked, physically and verbally, reflecting a larger pattern xenophobia, racism, and anti-Asian bias.

The Hispanic Issues Section condemns hate speech and all forms of racism, bigotry, hatred, and discrimination for any reason, including based on race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation. We stand in solidarity with persons of Asian descent and denounce the unfortunate vile actions against members of the Asian-American and Pacific Islander Community. The commitment to the rule of law and the oaths taken by all attorneys require constant vigilance and protection of the 14th Amendment's mandate of equal protection to all persons in the United States regardless of national origin, gender, race or other protected categories.

We commend and support the efforts by all groups who take a stand for the equal treatment of all persons, including the American Board of Trial Advocates.

*3-year term
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