



**Friday, June 11, 2021  
1-3 p.m.**

### **Speaker Bios**

**Dr. Karen Korematsu, Founder and Executive Director, Fred T. Korematsu Institute**

**Dr. Karen Korematsu** is the Founder and Executive Director of the Fred T. Korematsu Institute and the daughter of the late civil rights icon, Fred Korematsu. Since her father's passing in 2005, Karen has carried on his legacy as a public speaker, educator and civil rights advocate. She shares her father's passion for social justice and education and in 2009 established the Fred T. Korematsu Institute to advance racial equity, social justice and human rights for all. The Institute's work has expanded from K-12 civic education to promoting Public civic engagement and participation. Karen crisscrosses the country speaking to audiences from Kindergarten to Judges and inspiring and promoting Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution of January 30.

Karen's work extends to advocating civil liberties and social justice for all communities and addresses current issues that draws upon lessons of the past. She has presented to Teachers College Columbia University, NY, New York and since 2012, the National and State Councils for the Social Studies and was Co-chair of the Annual National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) Conference, 2017.

She has signed on to amicus briefs in several cases opposing violations of constitutional rights arising after 9/11, including *Odah v. United States*, *Turkman v. Ashcroft*, *Hedges v. Obama*, and *Hassan v. City of New York* and *Hawaii v. Trump* in 2018.

In 2015, Karen was inducted as the first non-lawyer member of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. She serves on the board of directors of Advancing Justice-AAJC and NAPABA Law Foundation. Karen has been interviewed on radio, podcasts and TV. Her Op/Ed's have appeared in the NY Times and Washington Post. Karen has received numerous awards and honors including GMNY 2015 Isidore Starr Award, Muslim Advocates-Voice of Freedom Award; the "Key to the City of Dearborn, Michigan"; and the ACLU-Chief Justice Earl Warren Civil Liberties Award. In May 2019, Karen received the Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS) Community Leadership Award, Washington, DC.

Karen received her first honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from St. Michael's College in Burlington, Vermont in May 2019. By invitation: University of CA, Berkeley, School of Law for CA Law Review- Published essay: Karen Korematsu, L.H.D., Carrying on Korematsu: Reflections on my Father's Legacy, WOMEN & LAW, page 95, (2020) (joint publication of the top sixteen law reviews).

### **U.S. Representative Andy Kim**

#### **New Jersey's 3rd District, United States House of Representatives**

**Congressman Andy Kim** was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2018. He represents the Third Congressional District of New Jersey, which stretches from the Delaware River to the Jersey Shore encompassing most of Burlington County and parts of Ocean County.

As a member of the House, Congressman Kim serves on the House Armed Services Committee, the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Committee on Small Business.

In his first term, Congressman Kim passed bills into law that help military servicemembers and their families find economic opportunities and stopped the use of harmful chemicals that impact New Jersey's water by the U.S. military. In addition, Congressman Kim has held more than two dozen town halls and has helped constituents by resolving more than 4,300 issues with federal agencies.

Congressman Kim grew up in South Jersey, the proud son of Korean immigrants, where he attended public K-12 schools before becoming a Rhodes Scholar.

Prior to serving in the House, Congressman Kim worked as a career public servant under both Democrats and Republicans. He served at USAID, the Pentagon, the State Department, the White House National Security Council, and in Afghanistan as an advisor to Generals Petraeus and Allen.

He currently lives in Burlington county with his wife and two baby boys.

### **Michael Angulo, Esq., Board Member, Jersey Promise;**

#### **President, Asian Pacific America Lawyers Association of New Jersey (2007-2008)**

Michael Angulo is on the board of Jersey Promise, an Asian American advocacy organization in New Jersey. He is also Vice President for Personnel, Labor & Government Relations at Stockton University, where he oversees operations related to human resources, labor relations, and equity and workplace related functions for the University and its over 1,750 full-time and part-time employees. In his Government Relations role, he works with the Governor's office, Legislature,

Congressional delegation, and other public officials, as well as the business community, on advancing the university's initiatives. These include advocacy related to equitable State funding, economic development, investment in higher education, and formation of a regional aviation/aerospace industry.

Michael serves on the boards of the National Aviation Research and Technology Park, and Stockton Affiliated Services, Inc. He is also a member of the President's Cabinet and University's Leadership Council.

Previously, Michael served as Vice President of Administration and Finance where he was responsible for the University's business and fiscal affairs including Procurement, Bursar, Finance and Budget, Controller, and Accounts Payable at a time when the university's operating revenue approached \$220 million.

Michael has also served as Stockton University's General Counsel providing legal advice to the University President, Board of Trustees, Cabinet officials, Deans, faculty, and schools/departments on matters including litigation strategy, State contracting guidelines, premises liability, civil rights, employment law, federal law including Title IX and FERPA, intellectual property, and real estate transactions/development. He also served as Adjunct Faculty at the University's School of Business.

Michael over 25 years as an attorney includes leadership in the legal, business, governmental, and higher education sectors, as well as grass roots community organizations. Following several years in private practice, he served in the Office of Chief Counsel to the Governor of New Jersey advising on matters involving higher education, banking, insurance, consumer affairs, economic development, and public finance. He was then appointed by the Governor to serve as Executive Director/CEO of the New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority ("HESAA"). Under Michael, HESAA's assets grew to over \$9 billion. He managed 200 employees, overseeing all Authority operations.

Michael received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Financial Management from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. He received a Juris Doctor from the Rutgers University School of Law. Following law school, Michael served as judicial clerk to the Honorable Frank M. Lario, Jr., Superior Court of New Jersey. He has been admitted to practice law in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. Michael also obtained an MBA with a dual concentration in Finance and Management from the Rutgers University School of Business.

An active community volunteer, Michael served on the Governor's Asian Advisory Commission, the Equal Employment Opportunity Advisory Commission, the New Jersey Asian American Commission, the Diversity Committee for the New Jersey State Bar Association, the Supreme Court of New Jersey Committee on Minority Concerns, and the District IV Ethics Committee. He was the 2007-08 President of the Asian Pacific American Lawyers Association of New Jersey, and was co-chair of the Legislative Committee for the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, representing over 40,000 Asian American attorneys nationwide. He has served as Counsel to numerous Asian American organizations locally and nationally. Michael is a

member of the National Association of College and University Attorneys, and the National Association of College and University Business Officers.

Michael is a 2004 Fellow of the Lead New Jersey Program. He was honored as the Professional Lawyer of the Year by the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism in the Law, and is the recipient of the New Jersey State Bar Association Service to the Community Award.

### **Ti-Hua Chang, Investigative Broadcast Journalist**

Award-winning journalist **Ti-Hua Chang** was most recently a [climate change investigative reporter for TYT.com, The Young Turks](#). From 2016 to 2019, he worked as a Political and Media Consultant for Asian American candidates for the U.S. Congress, New York State Assembly, and New York City Council. He has also been a freelance correspondent with CBS Evening News.

He joined WNYW/Fox 5 in 2009 and until 2015 was a general assignment reporter. He transferred from sister station WWOR/My9, where he served as a general assignment and investigative reporter since 2008. Previously, Chang worked at WCBS-TV where he served in the same capacity. Prior to that, he was a reporter with WNBC. On 9/11, he was the first reporter to inform the public on the number of casualties that day quoting Mayor Giuliani and city officials. Chang joined WNBC from WNYC-TV, where he hosted his own talk show, New York Hotline. Before he began his on-air career, he was an investigative producer at ABC News.

Chang is the recipient of numerous awards. In 1996, he won the prestigious Peabody Award for a series of reports he filed on accused drug-dealing murderers that led to dozens of arrests. In 2004, he won a New York Press Club award for his reports on a shooting at City Hall. He received an Edward R. Murrow Award in 2005 for a piece exposing police officers using a helicopter and high tech infra-red equipment to spy on private citizens. Chang is especially proud of discovering four witnesses in the 1963 murder of civil rights leader Medgar Evers, which helped jail the assassin 30 years later.

Chang has also won five Emmys; the Philadelphia, Denver and Detroit Press Association awards; and, the Associated Press and United Press International awards. Very active in Asian-American community affairs, Chang was both a national and local New York Board member of the Asian American Journalists Association. Chang also has been published in a number of magazines, including the Sunday New York Times and The Detroit News. In 2016 in New York's 65th Assembly race, he worked as a media and political Consultant.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism, Chang was named by Columbia in 2004 as one of 10 most influential Columbia alumni in New York City, where he resides with his family.

### **Lora Fong, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Chief Diversity Officer, Department of Law and Public Safety State of New Jersey Former President, Asian Pacific American Lawyers Association of New Jersey (2002-2003)**

Lora Fong is an Assistant Attorney General and serves as the Chief Diversity Officer for the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety. Before joining the Department in 2016, Lora

counselled and advised large corporate clients, including members of the Fortune 500, on diversity and inclusion. She has practiced law since 1991, including as a commercial litigator at various large New Jersey private practice firms, and as in-house counsel in the technology sector, handling transactional, data privacy and intellectual property matters as well as commercial disputes, compliance, and employment-related issues.

Lora has been recognized as a Distinguished Leader of the Bar by the New Jersey Law Journal, and is a recent recipient of a Professional Achievement Award from the Asian Pacific American Lawyers Association of New Jersey. She previously served as a Trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Association and co-chaired its Diversity Committee, and currently, is a Director of the New Jersey Women Lawyers Association.

Prior to joining OAG, Lora served on the Rutgers Board of Governors as well as on the Rutgers Board of Trustees. She is also a past member of the New Jersey State Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights. Lora earned a B.A. in Political Science from Douglass College at Rutgers University and received her law degree from Rutgers University, School of Law in Newark.

**Nivetha Karthikeyan, Special Projects Coordinator,  
South Asian American Digital Archive (SAADA)**

Nivetha Karthikeyan is the special projects coordinator at SAADA and the 2020 Caltech Milton and Rosalind Chang Prize Fellow. Through the Chang Prize, she is working on a project titled “Intersections: Building Solidarity Through Community Archives,” which explores the ways in which community memory work may inform, ground, and inspire new means of solidarity building.

An aspiring historian of science, her research interests revolve around how histories of ‘tech’ as industry and cultural phenomenon can be intertwined with histories of migration, transnational labor, and the construction of minoritized identity—particularly South Asian American identity—in the United States.

**Stanley Mark, Esq. Senior Staff Attorney, Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund**

Stanley Mark is Senior Staff Attorney the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund. He coordinates free legal rights clinics at workers’ centers and immigrant-led organizations. He represents and assists Asian families seeking immigration benefits and U.S. citizenship, recovering minimum wage and overtime pay, and securing health care for post-9/11 survivors in Chinatown and the Lower East Side. Mr. Mark testified before a Congressional subcommittee about 9/11 environmental health problems demanding health care legislation and medical research funds for survivors of the WTC attack. He also testified in support of Japanese American redress before the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians and received a Day of Remembrance Award for his advocacy in 1991.

The Asian American Bar Association of New York also honored him for his community service in 1991 and in 2004 as a founding board member. His clients include Chinese indentured laborers, Filipino hotel workers, Pakistani taxi drivers, Bangladeshi low wage workers, and

Japanese Americans once interned in US concentration camps during World War II as well as immigrants of diverse backgrounds. He is a graduate of Seton Hall Law School.