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BIRD MARELLA AWARDED 2013 LAW FIRM DIVERSITY AWARD BY NATIONAL ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

-- Firm honored at the 25th Annual NAPABA Convention in Kansas City, MO --

LOS ANGELES, CA – Los Angeles-based litigation firm <u>Bird, Marella, Boxer, Wolpert, Nessim, Drooks</u> & <u>Lincenberg, P.C.</u> has received the 2013 National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) Law Firm Diversity Award. The inaugural award honors law firms that recruit and retain Asian Pacific American (APA) lawyers and promote them to equity partnership and firm leadership. The award also celebrates law firm successes in recognizing the potential, supporting the promise, and raising the influence of APA lawyers.

"Our firm has a well-established reputation for diversity inclusion and professional excellence within the legal field," said Bird Marella partner Ekwan Rhow, who serves on the NAPABA Board of Directors and Executive Committee. "We are truly honored to be recognized for our efforts and we will continue to promote diversity within our firm."

Bird Marella attorneys demonstrate a commitment to providing elite pro bono counsel for disadvantaged minority groups on an international scale, which include cases before the Supreme Court of the United States.

NAPABA represents the interests of more than 40,000 attorneys and 67 national, state and local Asian Pacific American bar associations. They work to provide a voice for increased diversity of the federal and state judiciaries, advocate for equal opportunity in the workplace, eliminate hate crimes and anti-immigrant sentiment, and promote the professional development of people of color in the legal profession.

Los Angeles-based litigation firm, Bird, Marella, Boxer, Wolpert, Nessim, Drooks & Lincenberg, P.C., specializes in complex civil and white collar criminal litigation.

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