



South Asian Bar Association of Greater Boston

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Annapoorni R. Sankaran Selected as one of *Boston Business Journal's* 40 Under 40

The South Asian Bar Association of Greater Boston ("SABA GB"), a chapter of the North American South Asian Bar Association ("NASABA"), proudly congratulates SABA GB past President, Annapoorni R. Sankaran, for being selected one of *Boston Business Journal's* "40 Under 40" honorees in 2009.

Each year, the *Boston Business Journal* selects 40 business professionals under the age of 40 that it considers to be part of the next generation of business leaders and innovators. This highly competitive award recognizes outstanding Boston-area professionals for their business success and contributions to the community. Ms. Sankaran will be honored at a reception to be held on October 1st.

As a shareholder at Greenberg Traurig, LLP, Ms. Sankaran has established herself not only as an outstanding lawyer, but as a leader in improving diversity in the legal profession. As the President of SABA GB from 2004-2007 and currently the President-Elect of NASABA, Ms. Sankaran is an active mentor to countless minority attorneys. She has made a tangible impact on diversity in the legal profession in Boston and around the United States.

In addition to her work with bar associations, Ms. Sankaran served as the co-chair of the New England chapter of the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation, an organization dedicated to supporting and empowering women in the insolvency professions. Ms. Sankaran also serves on the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts Local Rules Committee. There, she works with bankruptcy judges and other bankruptcy attorneys to comment, draft and revise local bankruptcy procedural rules in accordance with the needs of the Court, practitioners, technology and changes in federal law.

In 2009, Ms. Sankaran received the Thirteenth Annual Rosoff Mentor Award in recognition of the impact she has made serving as a mentor in advancing diversity in the workplace and a Citation from Governor Deval Patrick in recognition for her commitment to diversity in the Commonwealth. In 2008, Ms. Sankaran was also awarded the first *Annapoorni R. Sankaran Award for Excellence in Leadership and Service*, an award named in her honor by SABA GB and that will be awarded each year to the one SABA GB member who exemplifies her leadership characteristics going forward.

SABA GB is a non-profit organization and a chapter of the North American South Asian Bar Association. SABA GB strives to work with other bar associations, governmental agencies and community groups to achieve greater involvement and understanding of the American legal system by the South Asian community. For additional information please visit www.sabagb.org or contact Samia Kirmani, President, South Asian Bar Association of Greater Boston, at

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