

The **Diversity Speaks 2019: Distinguished Speaker Series** event welcomed guest speaker, **The Honorable Denny Chin, Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit**, to Seton Hall Law's Larson Auditorium on Monday, October 28.

Judge Chin was born in Hong Kong and moved to the U.S. with his parents, Chinese refugees, when he was 2 years old. He was appointed to the Second Circuit by President Barack Obama and confirmed in April 2010. At that time, he was the only Asian-American filling an active judgeship on a U.S. Court of Appeals.

Judge Chin is considered a ground-breaker in the legal community. He spoke about the importance of using emotion in practicing law. He also discussed the importance of good legal writing. He shared his family history and his experiences with a variety of cases involving violence, copyright, trademark, entertainment, and fraud. Some of his notable cases include *The Naked Cowboy v. The Blue M&M* and the sentencing of Bernard L. Madoff. He even discussed the Judge Denny Chin bobblehead doll, sales of which support the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Law Foundation.

This signature event series, established in 2008, spotlights diversity in the legal profession and promotes an inclusive academic environment. The event was organized by Seton Hall Law School's Office of Student Services and event attendance was complimentary thanks to a generous sponsorship by **Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C.** See our [online album](#) for photos from Judge Chin's speech and the reception that followed.