



## **ASIAN AMERICANS ADVANCING JUSTICE DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED IN SUPREME COURT'S FAILURE TO ALLOW IMPLEMENTATION OF PRESIDENT'S IMMIGRATION RELIEF PROGRAMS**

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**NORCROSS, GA , June 23, 2016** — NORCROSS, GA - In a 4-4 decision today by the U.S. Supreme Court, the President's executive actions for immigration relief remain blocked.

" We are disappointed with the Court's failure to act decisively today. The Court's indecision leaves thousand of Georgia families in constant fear of deportation," said Stephanie Cho, Executive Director of Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Atlanta. "We hope that Congress and the next President can work together to fix our broken immigration system and provide relief to these families."

According to Javeria Jamill, Staff Attorney for Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Atlanta "Today's decision only underscores the importance of having a ninth Justice on the Court. We urge the Senate to put aside partisan agendas and do its job so that such vital issues reach definite conclusions."

Although the Supreme Court's decision prevents the new programs from being implemented, it is important to remember that the Original DACA Program created in 2012 has not been affected. Those individuals eligible for the original DACA should continue to apply, whether for the first time or renewal.

For those that qualify for the original DACA program, Advancing Justice -Atlanta provides low-cost application assistance with first-time applications as well as renewals. For more information, please email [immigration@advancingjustice-atlanta.org](mailto:immigration@advancingjustice-atlanta.org) or call Advancing Justice - Atlanta's immigration line 404-890-5655.

### **About Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Atlanta**

Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Atlanta (formerly Asian American Legal Advocacy Center or AALAC) is the first non-profit law center dedicated to Asian immigrants and refugees ("Asian Americans") in the Southeast.

Our goal is to engage, educate and empower under-represented Asian Americans to greater civic participation.

We are one of five independent organizations that make up the national Asian Americans Advancing Justice. Together with our affiliates in Chicago, DC, Los Angeles and San Francisco, we bring more than 100 years of collective experience in addressing the civil rights issues faced by Asian Americans and other vulnerable and underserved communities. Visit [www.advancingjustice-atlanta.org](http://www.advancingjustice-atlanta.org).