You are invited to attend a free webinar to learn about the pardon process in California. This webinar will provide an overview of the pardon process, explain how to prepare a compelling pardon application, and provide information about AB 2845, a law which recently went into effect to increase transparency and access to pardon and commutation process. The webinar is aimed at community members applying for pardons by themselves, family members who are assisting a loved one with a pardon application, and private and nonprofit attorneys. This webinar is co-sponsored by Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus, Immigrant Legal Resource Center, and Youth Justice Coalition.

**WHEN:** April 08, 2019, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm (PST)

**WHERE:** From your phone and or computer device

**PRESENTERS:**

- **Rose Cahn**- Staff Attorney, Immigration Legal Resource Center
- **Angela Chan**- Policy Director & Senior Staff Attorney, Criminal Justice Reform - Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus
- **Ny Nourn**- Yuri Kochiyama Fellow, Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus
- **Phal Sok**- Organizer, Youth Justice Coalition

**To RSVP, complete this form by April 4th.**
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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**What is a pardon?**
In California, a person who has served time in prison may apply for a gubernatorial pardon if they can demonstrate that they have rehabilitated. A pardon restores rights, such as removing barriers to some professional licenses, serving on a jury, and may allow for immigrants in certain cases to reopen a deportation matter.

**What is AB 2845?**
AB 2845 is a new California state law that went into effect in January 2019 that increases transparency and access in the pardon and commutation process by:

- Requiring notification to applicants when the Board of Parole Hearings (BPH) receives a pardon or commutation application and when they issue a recommendation to the Governor.
- Requiring BPH to consider expediting their review of urgent pardon and commutation applications, such as when an applicant is facing deportation.

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