

Linda Akutagawa

Insurance Diversity Task Force Member Appointee since 2015

President & Chief Executive Officer

Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP)

Linda Akutagawa is the President and CEO of Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics, Inc. (LEAP) an organization through which she is committed to developing Asian and Pacific Islanders (API) leaders. She is the Immediate Past Chair of the Alliance for Board Diversity, a national organization focused on advancing gender and ethnic/racial diversity on corporate boards, of which LEAP is a partner organization. In addition, she is a Board Member of the AAPI Equity Alliance (a co-founding organization of #StopAAPIHate), a member of the Asian/Asian American Institute Advisory Board at California State University at Los Angeles (CSULA) and a Board member of Japanese American Community Services (JACS). Linda has been reappointed to the Task Force as an advocate/expert of governing board diversity with a term ending on March 23, 2026.



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ABOUT THE INSURANCE DIVERSITY TASK FORCE



In 2020, the Insurance Diversity Task Force was formally codified under California law with the enactment of Senate Bill 534 (Bradford, Chapter 249, Statutes of 2019). The Task Force strives to become leaders on the advancement of supplier and governing board diversity in the insurance industry. The Task Force advises and provides

recommendations to the Insurance Commissioner & the California Department of Insurance with the goal of advancing key priorities that aim to increase the economic inclusion of diverse business communities, and expand opportunities for greater diversity among the boardrooms of California insurance companies.

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