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Oakland City Attorney Barbara Parker honored at the California Association of Black Lawyers Annual Conference

OAKLAND, CA – On April 13, City Attorney Barbara Parker and other African American general counsel throughout California were honored by the California Association of Black Lawyers (CABL) during its 35th annual conference in Emeryville.

At a reception Friday, CABL President Vernon Goins recognized African American general counsel for entities such as the Port of Oakland, Symantec, Black Entertainment Television, Google, WestEd, the University of California, County of Alameda, Bank of the West, AC Transit, UC Hastings and Pandora Internet Radio.

The California Association of Black Lawyers represents more than 6,000 African American attorneys, judges, law professors and students across the state.

“It is an honor to be recognized by an organization with a history of fighting for civil rights and representation of African Americans in the legal profession,” Parker said. “I want to thank CABL for its excellent work and its promotion of diversity in the bar.”

Brief bio: City Attorney Barbara Parker has served more than 20 years in the Oakland City Attorney’s Office, including 11 years as the Chief Assistant City Attorney. She has practiced law in the private sector and at every level of government – federal, state and local – including more than five years as an Assistant US Attorney for the Northern District of California. She serves as president of the Black Adoption Placement and Research Center and volunteers as a mentor for the East Bay College Fund. She is a longtime Oakland resident and lives in the Haddon Hill neighborhood near Lake Merritt.

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