

Marcus Evangelista, Attorney-CPA TOYAAM Award Winner Twelve Outstanding Asian Americans

Marcus Evangelista, lawyer-CPA, is a well-rounded, young Fil-Am Lawyer-CPA. Marcus Evangelista is one of only two NaFFAA-Michigan's Outstanding Young Asian American Awardees whose parents hail from the Philippines.

The other is Charles Mahabir, who is 50-percent Filipino as his mother, Wilhelmina Sarmiento, is a Filipina. His father hailed from Trinidad-Tobago.

Marcus has 100-percent Filipino blood as his parents – Dr. Stella Evangelista and Philippine Honorary Consul General Jose Evangelista, also a doctor – are both Filipinos.

In response to readers' requests for more information about Marcus, the Filipino Star News is publishing the following full-length article about this successful young man: Marcus Evangelista is not only an attorney, but also a CPA and an MBA. He attended Cranbrook High School, graduating with honors. He then attended the Michigan Business School (BBA) graduating with distinction, as well as Boston College Law School (JD/MBA) graduating in the Honor Society of Beta Gamma Sigma.

Marcus was awarded Most Persuasive Speaker, and won a partial scholarship for winning Business Consulting Competition in the MBA program.

Marcus was also a Representative on the Michigan Student Government, Orientation Leader for new students and an Account Executive for the Michigan Daily Newspaper.

He is very well-rounded man with diverse work experience in the law, politics and business. Marcus worked at the prestigious law firm of DickinsonWright. He also worked for Arthur Anderson, which was one of the largest accounting firms in the world.

Marcus served as a law clerk at the Office of Attorney General as well as the Michigan Supreme Court. He had



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the unique opportunity to work for President Bill Clinton at the National Campaign Headquarters in Little Rock Arkansas and in the White House for the President's Chief of Staff.

At present, Marcus is the corporate counsel of Maple Manor Rehab Center and Evangelista Development Co.

Marcus handles legal, financial and business matters. He manages 150 employees, and he is responsible for a mid-sized real estate portfolio of offices, apartments, condos, shopping centers, medical and nursing facilities.

Marcus has his own law firm specializing in real estate, construction, business, health care, employment, litigation and immigration. He handles all immigration petitions and sponsorships for nurses and therapists who work at the Evangelista companies.

Marcus is an emerging young leader who is very active in the Filipino and Asian communities. He is currently general counsel of the UST Medical Alumni Association, and he assists in medical missions, foundation activities and legal and tax issues. Marcus also assists the Philippine Honorary Consulate with consular and immigration affairs in Detroit.

He serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Michigan Circulo Pampangueno. His company is also the largest corporate sponsor of two Filipino sports organizations, FASAMI and FAST-D.

His favorite pastime is salsa and ballroom dancing. He occasionally hosts a Filipino/Asian dance party called "Shanghai Night." He enjoys sports and was elected captain of football, wrestling and lacrosse teams.

He always makes time to socialize with friends. He was elected Social Chairman of his fraternity. He was also elected as "Homecoming King."

