

## **Farha Ahmed – Attorney / Community Leader**



Farha Ahmed was born in Libya and she immigrated with her family from India to Houston at the age of 7. She attended Alief Hastings High School, graduated from Houston Baptist University with a Bachelor's of Arts in Accounting and Computer Info. Systems. Farha completed her Doctorate of Jurisprudence from South Texas College of Law in Houston. Farha and her husband have lived in Sugar Land for twenty years. Farha is an attorney by profession. She and her husband also manage an investment business in Sugar Land.

Farha's community activities have an impact far beyond the Sugar Land area. She is a member of the prestigious Texas Lyceum, a non-partisan think tank for future Texas leaders. She formerly served on the board of Asians Against Domestic Violence, a Texas nonprofit. Farha still counsels domestic violence victims on a pro bono basis through her private practice and volunteers at Fort Bend Lawyer's Care, a nonprofit that provides free legal assistance to the indigent.

In the past, Farha has served on many boards and committees including the Sugar Land Planning and Zoning Commission, Anti Defamation League's community sphere initiative, a facilitator with the Houston Police Dept. cadet program, Sugar Land Mayor's and City Manager's Multicultural Advisory Committees, First Colony Community Association, the largest home owner's association in Fort Bend. She is a graduate of Sugar Land 101 and the Sugar Land Police Citizen's Academy. Farha served on the FBISD parental advisory committee and 2013 Sugar Land Bond Committee. She is a member of the largest civic organization in Sugar Land and served on its board.

Farha is very active in Fort Bend County where she has served as a foreman on the Fort Bend Grand Jury, Fort Bend Child Advocates Advisory Board, a volunteer with Fort Bend Cares, Fort Bend County Judge Advisory Committee, in 2001, she was the only attorney invited to the White House by President G.W. Bush to discuss US-Pakistan relations after 9/11 and is a graduate of Fort Bend Chamber Nonprofit Leadership and the Fort Bend Chamber Leadership forum in 2012; member of the Fort Bend Bar Association and a founding member of the Fort Bend Voters League. In 2011, She was selected to participate in Rice University's study on diversity and leadership led by Dr. S. Klineberg.

In 2006, Farha was recognized by the City of Houston for a community leadership award.