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Vicky Ogawa Kimbrell is the Director of the Family Law Unit of Georgia Legal Services. She is recognized statewide as an expert on health and family law issues, particularly domestic violence. She has written widely and has handled numerous federal and state appellate public interest cases dealing with healthcare, custody, child support, juvenile law, and public benefits.

Ms. Kimbrell has received the Dan Bradley award from the State Bar of Georgia for her years of public service. She received the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council's Directors Award and the Family Violence Commission's Gender Justice Award based on her advocacy for victims of Domestic Violence. She was recognized by Emory Law School's Public Interest Committee and was appointed by three Georgia Governors to serve on the Georgia Family Violence Commission. She was also appointed to the original Committee on Justice for Children.

Ms. Kimbrell, born in Gwinnett County, is the first identified Asian American woman to be a member of the Georgia Bar. Her mother, Kazuko Ogawa Kimbrell had settled in Georgia from Japan in the 1950's as a war bride. One of the first Asian residents in Gwinnett County, Ms. Kazuko Kimbrell contributed to a book chronicling her story as a Japanese woman living in rural Georgia after the war. See:

<http://www.ajc.com/news/news/local-obituaries/kazuko-ogawa-kimbrell-82-overcame-ravages-of-war-r/nbSRG/>.