



Hawai'i Access to Justice Commission
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2015 ACCESS TO JUSTICE CONFERENCE

“NARROWING THE JUSTICE GAP”

Friday, June 19, 2015

William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawaii
2515 Dole Street, Classrooms 2 and 3

- 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. Continental breakfast; registration
- 8:30 - 9:15 Welcome: Dean Aviam Soifer and Robert LeClair, co-emcees
- Hon. Mark E. Recktenwald, Chief Justice, Hawaii Supreme Court
- Hon. Daniel R. Foley, Chair, Hawaii Access to Justice Commission
Intermediate Court of Appeals Associate Judge
- 9:15 - 10:15 “Narrowing the Gap: Access to Justice in Today’s Realities”
Jonathan D. Asher, Executive Director, Colorado Legal Services
- 10:15 - 10:30 Break
- 10:30 - 11:45 Concurrent workshops
- “Engaging the Business Community in Access to Justice”
[Robbie Alm, Gregory Kim, Catherine Ngo, Chief Justice Mark Recktenwald (moderator), Hoyt Zia]
- “What’s Mediation Got to Do with Access to Justice?” (includes increasing access to justice with dispute resolution and selecting the right mediation process and mediator)
[Judge Jennifer Ching, Judge Ronald Ibarra, Judge Michael Tanigawa, Tracey Wiltgen (moderator)]
- 11:45 - 12:45 Light lunch
- 12:45 - 2:00 Afternoon concurrent workshops:

1. More Than Just Interpreting Words! (Cultural and Linguistic Barriers for Micronesians to Access Justice)
[Jean Johnson, Dr. Sheldon Riklon, Beverly Simina]
2. Using Non-Attorneys to Close the Justice Gap
[R. Elton Johnson, III, Robert LeClair, Nanci Kreidman]
3. Access to Justice for Individuals with Neurocognitive Disorder (Dementia) and their Caregivers
[Dr. Iqbal Ahmed and James Pietsch]
4. Delivering Pro Bono Services to Rural Communities (includes providing legal assistance for natural disaster relief)
[Michelle Acosta and Tim Lui-Kwan]
5. Access to Justice for Juveniles and Foster Children
[Judge R. Mark Browning, Mark Patterson, Laurie Tochiki]

2:00 - 2:15 Break

2:15 - 3:30 Afternoon concurrent topics:

6. Lack of Representation for Non-English Speaking Residents
[Calleen Ching and Gary Singh]
7. Landlord-Tenant, Homeless, and Other Housing Issues
[Camille K. Kalama, Jenny Lee, Sharla Manley, Gavin Thornton]
8. Technology and Access to Justice
[Judge Don Horowitz (ret.), Nalani Fujimori Kaina, Sherrie Seki]
9. Incubator Projects and Loan Assistance Programs
[Avi Soifer and Matt Tsujimura]
10. Bankruptcy Law and Consumer Debt Issues
[Johnathan Bolton and David Farmer]

3:30 - 4:15 Plenary: “Narrowing the Justice Gap”
Justice Simeon Acoba (ret.)(moderator), Jonathan Asher, Judge Daniel R. Foley, Chief Justice Mark E. Recktenwald
-- What are the challenges to narrowing the gap?
-- How can the Hawai`i Access to Justice Commission meet these challenges?
-- How can individuals assist?

4:15 “Hawai`i Pono`i”