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## JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION, STATE OF HAWAI'I

### NOTICE OF ANTICIPATED JUDICIAL VACANCIES

The Judicial Selection Commission is accepting nominations and applications to fill the following anticipated judicial vacancies in the offices of Associate Judge, Intermediate Court of Appeals and Circuit Judge, Circuit Court of the First Circuit, State of Hawai'i. The anticipated vacancies will occur upon the retirement of the Honorable Circuit Judge Victoria S. Marks on November 1, 2009 and the Honorable Associate Judge Corinne K. A. Watanabe on December 31, 2009.

The Constitution of the State of Hawai'i requires that the persons selected by the Commission be residents and citizens of the State of Hawai'i and of the United States, and have been licensed to practice law by the Hawai'i Supreme Court. A judge of the intermediate appellate court and a judge of the circuit court shall have been so licensed for a period of not less than ten years preceding nomination. No judge shall, during the term of office, engage in the practice of law, or run for or hold any other office or position of profit under the United States, the State or its political subdivisions.

The term of office of judges of the intermediate appellate court and circuit courts shall be ten years. The annual salary in Hawai'i of an associate judge is \$139,923 and a circuit judge is \$136,127.

Full-time judges also receive employer contribution to premiums for enrollment in the state sponsored medical, drug, vision and dental plans, free life insurance policy is offered, state retirement plan, deferred compensation supplemental retirement savings plan, 13 paid holidays each year, 14 days during election years, 21 vacation and 21 sick leave days per year. Benefits are subject to modification or termination due to changes in statutes, pertinent rules and regulations. Judges shall be retired upon attaining the age of seventy years.

The Commission invites anyone interested to nominate individuals who meet the constitutional requirements. **Nominations** should be mailed to the Commission's office as soon as possible and **not later than Tuesday, November 10, 2009**.

Persons interested in applying for the anticipated judicial vacancies should submit a letter to the Commission indicating the vacancy(s) applying for as soon as possible. Individuals applying for the vacancy should fill out the [Application for Judicial Office \(JS-P-084\)](#) form. **Completed** applications must be post-marked or delivered to the Commission's office **on or before Wednesday, November 25, 2009**.

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