



GOV. MSG. NO. 451

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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LINDA LINGLE  
GOVERNOR

February 19, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Sirs and Mesdames:

In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation West Hawai'i Regional Board**.

Daniel E. Rick RPT

Term to Expire: June 30, 2009

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

**Daniel E. Rick**  
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March 25, 2008

The Honorable Senator David Y. Ige  
Chair  
Senate Committee on Health  
415 South Beretania Street, Room 215  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator David Ige:

This letter is to express my interest in service on the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation West Hawaii Regional Board of Directors. I am a resident of the State of Hawaii residing on my coffee farm in Captain Cook, on the Big Island. I am co-owner and active clinician in a large Physical Therapy practice with clinics in Kailua-Kona and Kealahou. I have lived and worked in this Kona community on and off since 1989.

I am most interested in this role as a volunteer board member because of my personal and professional interest in quality healthcare in rural communities and my commitment to volunteer involvement in community and professional organizations that serve to improve our community.

I am aware that service on the HHSC West Hawaii Regional Board of Directors is a volunteer position and that it requires active dedication and highly qualified decision-making in governance of the state authorized safety-net system. I am confident that I will successfully handle the responsibilities of a board member and know that this experience will also be invaluable to me.

I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on the board of the healthcare system of acute, long-term care and rural healthcare services with a mission to enhance accessibility to quality healthcare throughout the five regions in the system. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Daniel E. Rick

(Resume Attached)

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March 27, 2008

The Honorable Senator David Y. Ige  
Chair  
Senate Committee on Health  
415 South Beretania Street, Room 215  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator David Ige:

With regard to potential conflict of interest: my wife, Lenore Rick, recently contracted with Kona Community Hospital to staff and run their Anesthesia Department.

Although I do not feel this is a conflict, I will await the determination of the committee.

Sincerely,



Daniel E. Rick



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THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH  
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair  
Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair

April 2, 2008, 1:15 PM  
Conference Room 016  
Hawaii State Capitol

**TESTIMONY SUPPORTING GM #451**

Consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation West Hawaii Regional Board Gubernatorial Nominee Daniel E. Rick RPT, for a term to expire 6/30/2009

Thomas M. Driskill, Jr.  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC)

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in strong support of Gubernatorial Nominee Daniel E. Rick RPT, for consideration and confirmation to Hawaii Health Systems Corporation West Hawaii Regional Board.

HHSC welcomes Mr. Rick to the West Hawaii Regional Board of the State authorized safety-net system of fifteen community facilities in five regions statewide.

Mr. Rick has valuable expertise to share from his professional experiences as a registered physical therapist, rehabilitation clinician and business owner in West Hawaii. His professional healthcare and business experience and interest in serving the West Hawaii community will certainly contribute to informed decision-making and highly responsible governance to advance the community healthcare system and access to quality services in the West Hawaii Region.

It is a pleasure to strongly support your consideration and confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee Daniel E. Rick RPT to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation West Hawaii Regional Board. Thank you.

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**West Hawaii Regional Board, Gubernatorial Nominee Daniel E. Rick RPT,**  
**for a term to expire 6/30/2009**

Earl Greenia  
West Hawaii Region Interim Chief Executive Officer  
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

Thank you for this opportunity to offer testimony in strong support of Gubernatorial Nominee Daniel E. Rick RPT, for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation West Hawaii Regional Board, established pursuant to Act 290 legislation in 2007.

Kona Community Hospital is a major acute care hospital and Kohala Hospital is a Critical Access Hospital (CAH) of the West Hawaii Region, serving approximately 60,000 people on the West side of the Big Island.

The West Hawaii Region welcomes Mr. Rick to the newly established Regional Board of Directors to which he brings healthcare knowledge, professional, business experience, and commitment to serving the community. We look forward to Mr. Rick's service on the West Hawaii Regional Board with highly informed decision-making and enhanced community-based governance to advance the safety-net healthcare system and access to quality services for residents and visitors in the West Hawaii communities.

We respectfully request your consideration and confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee Daniel E. Rick RPT to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation West Hawaii Regional Board. Thank you.

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March 17, 2008

Senate Committee on Health  
State of Hawaii

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: DANIEL RICK, RPT

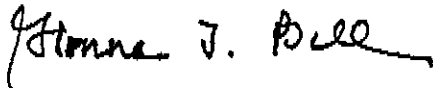
I am delighted to learn that Dan is being considered to serve on the Board of Directors of the Kona Community Hospital.

As a business owner of Club Rehab with two outlets, Dan is fully aware of the challenges of running a business (employees, schedules, finance, etc.), especially one most aware of the health insurance industry. The fact that he has a working relationship with doctors would be beneficial to the Board.

Dan is also in the trenches working as a Physical Therapist. As a patient in his clinic, I have seen him work with young and old, men and women, various ethnic backgrounds, and I am in awe of his excellent ability to communicate. He seems to have a compassion for each patient in their struggles, with a passion to help people understand their injury or disability so they can get better.

As a teacher and business owner in the community for over 35 years, I believe our hospital will benefit from the talents of this good man. I highly recommend Daniel Rick as a Director to sit on the Board.

Most respectfully,



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March 20, 2008

State of Hawaii - Senate Committee on Health

Recommendation Letter: Daniel Rick

To Whom It May Concern:

My husband and I have run a small and successful Kona coffee farm, selling all of our own and an equal amount, solely via the Internet. We have been in business in Honaunau for 20 years. I am also a member of the Kona Coffee Farmers Association. We have known Daniel Rick as a personal friend for over 19 years, and I have also known Dan as a superb health care giver with a compassionate heart.

About 6 years ago, I broke my leg and needed physical therapy. Dan was a patient and competent clinician and after months of physical therapy at Club Rehab under his kind tutelage, my leg was back to normal. It was obvious from my time at Club Rehab, that the company reflects his commitment to quality patient care.

I think Dan would be wonderful on the Board of Kona Community Hospital because he is a genuinely kind person, with a real commitment as a health care professional, as well as being a successful businessman and contributing member of our community. I want that kind of person on our Community's hospital board.

I am deeply impressed by Dan and can recommend him unhesitatingly. I am confident that, if selected for your Board's vacancy, he would provide the same high level of service and commitment. If you have any questions or wish to speak further about Daniel Rick, please feel free to call me at 328.8060.

Sincerely,

Cecelia B. Smith

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