

John K. Gibo

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References

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Aloha and good morning members of the committee,

My name is John Gibo. I would like to thank you for the opportunity to appear before the committee to discuss my nomination to the Cable Advisory Commission. I am greatly honored to be given an opportunity to serve the State of Hawaii, which has given so much to me and I would like to share these experiences with the committee.

I grew up in Kaneohe. My grandfather served this body and the State of Hawaii for many years as a Representative and Senator. My father served this country as a soldier in the United States Army and Hawaii Army National Guard for over 20 years. My mother served this body and the State in various positions and continues to this day. I share this with you because these three people instilled in me the value of giving back and serving our State, not for personal gain, but because it is the right thing to do.

These three people also instilled another value within me, the value of hard work. From a young age, my parents sent me to work with my grandfather on his orchid farm. Whether the sun was out or the rain was pouring down in Waiahole, we would work all day, until the job was complete. It used to frustrate me as a child because I could not see the benefits right away. However, I would reap the benefits later in life. Employers would quickly take notice that I would do a job, do it well, and do it until its completion and I would be rewarded with promotions and accolades.

I was also given the value of honor and morality by these great people. They taught me that in all that I do, do it with honor and honesty. If we make mistakes we admit them, work on fixing them, and move forward. If we give our word, we hold steadfast to those words and bind ourselves to those words. In every decision we make we try to make the right decision, not necessarily the best decision for ourselves or the most popular, but the decision that is best for the whole.

These are the values that have shaped me and made me who I am today.
These are the values that will make me a good member of this commission.

1. Why do you want to be a member of this board?
2. What is your perception of the role/responsibilities of a member of this board?
3. Based on your understanding of this board's role, why do you believe you are qualified to

serve on this board?
4. Include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, and/or knowledge which would aid/

strengthen your decision-making ability as a member of this board; also
verify your

qualifications.

1. Why do you want to be a member of this board?

I believe in public service. It is a value I was raised on and a value I would like to continue to propagate, not through words but through actions. If I am going to preach the value of public service then I need to step up and take action.

In stepping forward to take action, I approached the Governor's boards and commissions office asking if there was an area in which I could serve and help. They had let me know that there was an opening on the Cable Advisory Committee and if I would be interested in serving as a member of that committee. I was a little hesitant, but after spending a few days researching the commission and its responsibilities, I felt I would be a good fit.

2. What is your perception of the role/responsibilities of a member of this board?

The role of the Cable Advisory Committee is to advise the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and Cable Operators on the issuance of cable franchises and regulation of cable operators, applications for cable franchises and all matters related including rule making, requirements for adequate service, how to deal with complaints, violations, revocation, alteration, and penalties, renewal or transfer of cable franchise, and any other matter related to Cable Franchises that the Director may see fit to bring for advice to the committee.

While this committee by statute is purely advisory, I believe that this committee is an opportunity for the average person to have a voice in shaping policy related to cable. Cable has become such an integral part of people's everyday life, yet they feel so disconnected to the process that their voice may seem stifled. However, this committee can be a voice for them. They can bring their concerns to the committee and if warranted the committee can advocate on their behalf to the Director

3. Based on your understanding of this board's role, why do you believe you are qualified to serve on this board?

As stated in my previous statement, I have been raised with certain values that will make me a productive member of this committee. I bring to the table values of hard work, honesty and openness, and service.

In addition to those values, I bring with me a law school education, that would help me to navigate the numerous statutes and rules that govern the cable arena and allow me to give objective and useful advice to the Director.

4. Include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, and/or knowledge which would aid/strengthen your decision-making ability as a member of this board; also verify your qualifications.

I understand that right now is a busy time for the legislator. I do not want to waste your time restating my qualifications and instead have provided a statement to my skills and abilities and also included a resume.

If this committee has any further questions or need for clarification, I am available to discuss these at anytime.