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TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2013

Wednesday, April 3, 2013
10:00 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 681.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Ahlani Quiogue and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Psychology, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 681, regarding the **reappointment** of Scott S. Hashimoto, Psy.D., to the Board of Psychology ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Hashimoto's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Hashimoto is being reappointed to the Board as a licensee member. He has been licensed as a psychologist since November 27, 2001, and his license is current, active, and in good standing.

Dr. Hashimoto is an exceptional member of the Board, who was most recently appointed as Vice-Chairperson. He exemplifies all of the qualities of a professional and diligent member. His active participation and willingness to contribute to discussions enables the Board to make sensible decisions. By bringing his experience as an attorney and a psychologist, Dr. Hashimoto is able to assess an issue and make sound recommendations. We believe that Dr. Hashimoto's interest in serving on the Board, as well as his many positive contributions, will continue to improve the efficiency of the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Hashimoto to the Board of Psychology, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Submitted on: 3/28/2013

Testimony for CPN on Apr 3, 2013 10:00AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Elizabeth Kent	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support the nomination of Dr. Scott Hashimoto to this Board. It has been my pleasure to have known Dr. Hashimoto for about 20 years. He is hard working, committed, and cares deeply about helping people. I have confidence that he will be a positive addition to this Board. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of this nomination.

Information RE: Scott Hashimoto, J.D., Psy.D.
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

1) Re: Wish to be a Member of the Board of Psychology:

I am currently the Vice Chair of the Board of Psychology (hereinafter "Board"), finishing my first term since being appointed in mid 2009. It has truly been a pleasure and privilege for the past four years, as time has certainly run by quickly. I have thoroughly enjoyed my role in reviewing the candidates for licensure, discussing and providing input to legislative efforts, and adjudicating issues for licensed practitioners, all in the context of promoting and protecting our consumers of psychological services. The administrative staff, including the Executive Officer, Ahlani Quiogue, and secretary, Faith Nishimura, both have been very supportive and a joy to work with, as well as all other members of the Board. This has given me much fulfillment as part of my contribution to the profession and our state, and I truly wish to continue my efforts.

2) Re: What roles and responsibility as a member of the Board:

Primarily, pursuant to statute (Chapter 465, HRS, and Chapter 16-98, HAR), I understand my role and responsibility as protecting the consumer to ensure the practice of psychology is provided according to the standards of ethics and professional expectations. In so doing, the Board performs Legislative, Adjudicatory and Executive functions.

3) Re: My Qualifications:

Aside from having the experience of my first term on the Board, I believe my educational and work history provides me with a very good background to assist in the roles as a member. I have a law degree, practiced law for 10 years, including an additional 3 years of judicial clerkship, a doctorate in clinical psychology, is practicing clinical psychology for the past 10 years in various forms (private, public sector- Department of Health-Child and Adolescent Division, teaching/supervision at a doctoral level institution and students, memberships to the Hawaii and American Psychological Associations, and volunteering time in mediation efforts at the Family Court in Hawaii.). All of which are valuable as providing relevant and pragmatic perspectives and understandings in order to fulfill the member's function.

4) Re: What to accomplish:

I look forward to the next four years as a member to continue the assignments and responsibilities of the Board, primarily in our review of the applicants for licensure in this State and providing guidance in the legislative efforts relative to the Board's domain.

5) Re: Three Qualities:

“Conscientious”. I am conscientious of the important roles and responsibilities the Board has and I am committed to make every effort to attend and fulfill such mandates.

“Critical Thinker”. My training and experience have developed appropriate and meaningful critical thinking on my part and, as such, I can assist the Board in clarifying and extrapolating issues, solutions and likely consequences.

“Respectful”. I am respectful to the functions of the Board, its members and staff, and most importantly to the beneficiaries (stakeholders/consumers) and, as such, advocate for open mindedness and fairness to the process.

6) Re: Previous Experience:

As shared, I am currently the Vice Chair and finishing my first term on the Board and I believe that has provided me with invaluable experience that I hope to share and build during my next term. I am familiar with the function, process, expectations and the administrative supports.

7) Re: Possible Conflicts:

One of the real conflicts that has arisen, and will likely to continue, relates to the review of applicants for licensure and my previous professional relationship, either as a teacher or supervisor, with an applicant. If such a scenario arises, I need to weigh my relationship, from the nature or with the passage of time, or other considerations, and assess as to whether I can be open, fair and unbiased, in my review effort. If I cannot be, I need to recuse myself from that process.

I thank you for this opportunity to share about myself. Please feel free to contact me should you require any further information, and I look forward to meeting you and the Committee. Mahalo, Scott Hashimoto.