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Work Experience

Health and Regulatory Counsel, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc., Hawaii Region. June 2009 to present. As a member of the legal team, provide advice and counsel to Kaiser clients in the areas of, among others: regulatory and corporate compliance, health plan regulatory advice, litigation, risk management, scope of practice, Medicare and Medicaid regulations, legal support for the compliance department, legal support for the privacy officer, legal support for National Facilities Services on real estate and facilities issues, and legal support to other operational areas.

Director of Communications, Hawaii Community Development Authority: March 2008 to May 2009. Responsible for the communications and community outreach programs for this state planning and redevelopment agency for Kaka'ako and Kalaeloa including organizing public hearings and stakeholder meetings for the agency's rules, actions, and initiatives, preparing press releases, reviewing and responding to stakeholder comments and concerns, maintaining and updating the agency's website. Responsible for the agency's legislative program, including monitoring, reviewing, and drafting legislation affecting the agency.

Associate, Hisaka Yoshida & Cosgrove, Honolulu, HI: July 2003 to March 2008. Working in the firm's business practice, negotiate ground leases for small landowners; landlord and tenant leases; prepare leases and subleases; negotiate stock purchase agreements for closely held companies; prepare financing documents, formation of profit and nonprofit corporations; formation of limited liability companies, including the qualification of nonprofit companies for tax exempt status; drafting of conveyance documents; representing health care providers, hospital and physicians, in various aspects of health law; and assist in the preparation of subdivision applications.

General Counsel, The Queen's Health Systems, Honolulu, HI: March 2001 to March 2003.

Responsible for providing and overseeing the provision of legal services to several Queen's companies; risk management advice; stock and asset acquisitions; monitored legislation affecting all of the Queen's companies; reviewed contracts and agreements, tax matters, and leases; prepared conveyance documents, and oversaw litigation.

Corporate Compliance Administrator, The Queen's Medical Center, Honolulu, HI: April 2000 to February 2001. Administered the corporate compliance program for this tertiary care hospital.

Corporate Counsel, The Queen's Health Systems, Honolulu, HI: 1992 to March 2000.

Performed legal work for nearly all of the Queen's companies, and worked closely with various constituencies including the General Counsel, senior management, trustees, and directors; provided advice and counsel on risk management matters, billing issues, landlord and tenant matters, fraud and abuse issues relating to physicians and the hospital; hospital joint ventures; physician-hospital initiatives; health plan issues such as credentialing, and provider contracts.

Staff Attorney, The Queen Emma Foundation, Honolulu, HI: 1988 - 1992. Performed legal work in the general corporate and real estate areas for this land holding company.

Tax Associate, Price Waterhouse, Boston, MA: 1987 - 1988. Performed tax research and tax return preparation for corporations and partnerships.

Education

LL.M, Taxation, Boston University School of Law,
J.D., University of Oregon School of Law,
B.A., English Literature and Speech Communication, University of Hawaii,

Admitted to practice law in the State of Hawaii.