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Executive Director, Hawaii Alliance for Community-Based Economic Development (HACBED)

August 2012 – Present

Envisioning and effectuating the next iteration of HACBED as a space for community-based projects and initiatives founded in a co-learning approach that highlights the culture, values, and knowledge of this place -- Hawai'i.

Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer, Cultivating Collaboration & Collective Change (C4)

August 2011 – Present

C4 offers business knowledge and start-up assistance that is founded in the values of Hawaii. C4 aims to maximize current business activities and increase operational efficiency by incorporating community capacity through creative giving programs that increase profits and benefit the community

Co-Director, Founder Institute Honolulu Chapter

March 2013 – Present

Co-facilitating the Hawaii Chapter of the Founder Institute -- the World's Largest Startup Accelerator, with a mission to "Globalize Silicon Valley" and help founders build enduring technology companies. FI is a part-time entrepreneur training program that assists Founders with launching a company through guidance and feedback from experienced startup CEOs.

LOCAL & NATIONAL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Alumni Association Director, University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law

July 2016 – Present

Board Member, Oahu Workforce Development Board

April 2016 – Present

Local economic development member that is helping to create the Local Plan, which will guide the City & County of Honolulu's efforts to collaborate with industry leaders and government to help Oahu's business grow, train and sustain a globally competitive workforce. Served on the Workforce Investment Board (Jan. 2013-Aug. 2015) and supported local workforce development initiatives that directly connected youth and employers

Network Steering Member, Assets & Opportunities Network, CFED

December 2015 – Present

Partner with other Steering Members from across the nation to provide local perspective and leadership to the A&O Network, which is supported by CFED, and is a movement-oriented group of service providers, advocates, researchers, financial institutions, policymakers and others who are working to implement strategies and advocate for policies that help people become more financially secure.

Young Lawyer's Division Board of Directors, Hawaii State Bar Association

January 2015 – Present

Co-led the Junior Judges program, which connects lawyers to students in the community, and spearheaded a committee that put together three continuing legal education (CLE) opportunities around mediation, nonprofit board, and small business issues. supported other projects that provides valuable volunteer opportunities for young lawyers.

Coach, Iolani Wrestling

October 2008 – Present

HONORS & AWARDS

40 Under 40, Pacific Business News

June 2015

Demonstrates business excellence at and contributes to the overall success of his organization.


Weinberg Fellow, Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation

December 2013


Member of cohort that focused on enhancing skills and effectiveness of executive directors of nonprofit organizations.

EDUCATION

Masters of Business Administration, Shidler School of Business, University of Hawaii at Manoa 

Juris Doctorate, William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawaii at Manoa 

- Certificate, Environmental Law Certificate
- Pending publication in the University of Hawai'i Law Review of second-year seminar paper entitled: "The "Aloha Corporation": Infusing the Culture of Hawai'i to Broaden the Perspective of Business and Return to Community"

B.A., *cum laude*, Sociology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 

- Thesis: "Breaking Point: Leading High Performing Collegiate Wrestling Teams"

Iolani School, Honolulu, HI 