

Testimony of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards

**Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Wednesday, March 4, 2020
9:30 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229**

**On the following measure:
G.M. 529, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE BOARD OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES AND GUARDS,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DOUGLAS INOUYE,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2024**

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Gregory Zambrano, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards (Board). The Board supports the confirmation of Mr. Douglas Inouye's reappointment to the Board as a public member.

Mr. Inouye is employed as corporate counsel for The Queen's Health Systems. He formerly served on the Board from July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2016, and he served as vice chairperson and chairperson at different times during his tenure. He currently serves on the Board's Rules Committee and reviews and proposes updates to its administrative rules.

Mr. Inouye's insights from the public perspective are invaluable to board deliberations. As a public member, Mr. Inouye actively participates in discussions and is an effective leader who facilitates discussions and offers pertinent insights. He represents the public sector well, and his desire to serve as a public member will continue to be an asset to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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March 2, 2020

By Electronic Mail

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Stanley Chang, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
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Re: GM No. 529 – Douglas Inouye, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Board of Private Detective and Guards, for a term to expire 6-30-2024; Hearing on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on GM No. 529. I strongly support the appointment of Douglas Inouye as a member of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards ("Board").

I am an attorney licensed in Hawaii since 1992. I first met Mr. Inouye when I began practicing land use and administrative law in the early 1990's at the law firm of Dwyer Imanaka Schraff Kudo Meyer & Fujimoto ("Dwyer Imanaka"). At that time, Mr. Inouye was also employed with Dwyer Imanaka practicing in real estate and litigation. Subsequently, I was also honored and privileged to work with Mr. Inouye again in the Employment Law Division of the Department of the Attorney General in the late 1990s.

I believe Mr. Inouye has the requisite knowledge and experience, particularly in the area of administrative law, to sufficiently perform the necessary duties as a member of the Board. As a colleague, I found him to be honest, fair, ethical and impartial in his decisions and practice of law, and he always strived to educate and encourage others around him to do the same. Accordingly, I believe Mr. Inouye will be a great asset to the Board and the State of Hawaii.

I respectfully request your favorable consideration in the appointment of Mr. Inouye as a member of the Board.

Sincerely,



Kris N. Nakagawa

KAZAMA ENTERPRISES, INC.

Honorable Russell S. Kokubun, Chair
State Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, & Affordable Housing
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 407
Honolulu, HI 96813

February 14, 2020

Dear Senator Kokubun,

I submit this letter of referral with much enthusiasm and high regard for Douglas Inouye.

I met Doug while we attended the University of Hawaii Executive MBA Program from 2001-2003. Immediately, he struck me as a caring and honest person with a genuine interest in the well being of others. In addition to the long hours of MBA study and his crucial role at the Queen Emma Foundation, Doug always found a way to remain a dedicated father to his son, Gordon. That Gordon has grown into an intelligent young man with many achievements is not a surprise.

Amongst his numerous community efforts, Doug has recently served as President of the University of Hawaii Alumni Association. I had the opportunity to attend a UHAA event, and was impressed with Doug's leadership skills, incorporating a sense of humor with his ability to get things done.

With an unwavering understanding and caring of people, it is no surprise that Doug has been nominated for re-election. He is a natural born philanthropist, who always maintains his strong work ethic, composure, and humility. Doug has served numerous community causes, and his desire to continually help others is an inspiration.

Perhaps a quote that best summarizes my strong endorsement of Doug is this. I once asked how he willingly donates so much of his time, and he passionately replied:

"I've been blessed with a great life. It is time to give back to others. Today's leaders, tomorrow's next generation...we all need support."

Doug has always been and always will be a man of his word, and I trust that he will continue to accomplish great things on your board.

I hope you will strongly consider Douglas Inouye for re-election for your board. If I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me at 808.487.9933 or dkazama@gmail.com.

Aloha,



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