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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President and Members of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker and Members of the House of
Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Department of the Attorney General's <u>Report on Litigation Deposits Trust Account Transactions and Collections Made on Behalf of Other Departments and Agencies, as required by section 28-16(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). In accordance with section 93-16, HRS, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at http://ag.hawaii.gov/publications/reports/reports-to-the-legislature/.</u>

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 586-1500.

Respectfully

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Enclosure

State of Hawai'i Department of the Attorney General



REPORT ON LITIGATION DEPOSITS TRUST ACCOUNT TRANSACTIONS AND COLLECTIONS MADE ON BEHALF OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Pursuant to Section 28-16(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes

For Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021

Submitted to
The Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022

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Overview of the Litigation Deposits Trust Account

The Litigation Deposits Trust Account (name changed on July 1, 2021, from "Litigation Deposits Trust Fund" pursuant to Act 9, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2021), appropriation number T-909-N, was established pursuant to Act 178, Session Laws of Hawaii 2002, to account for moneys received through any civil action in which the State is a party where the settlement amount is \$100,000 or higher. Pursuant to section 28-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the trust fund is administered by the Department of the Attorney General, which must annually report to the Legislature (1) the transactions, by subsidiary account, that take place in the litigation deposits trust account for each fiscal year, and (2) a summary of the collections made in any amount on behalf of other departments and agencies, specifying the appropriate number of transactions and amount collected for each department and agency.

During Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021, the following significant transactions occurred in the trust account:

REVENUES:

- 1. The account earned \$2,009.81 from the State's Investment Pool.
- 2. The account received a settlement of \$1,657,688.47 from McKinsey & Company, Inc. Case: McKinsey & Co., Inc. v State of Hawaii regarding unfair deceptive acts or practices regarding opioids.
- 3. The account received a judgment to reimburse the State's cost incurred of \$333.48 from Roxanne Kamalu. Case: Roxanne Kamalu v. Alicyn Tasaka, et al., Civil No. 1CC181001925 BIA, regarding a defamation and intentional infliction of emotional distress lawsuit.

EXPENDITURES:

Settlement of \$143,990.00 to the Treasury of the United States pursuant to a Consent Agreement and Final Order between the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 and the State of Hawaii, Board of Education, Hawaii State Public Library System: Docket No. UIC-09-2020-0057. Refer to section 10 of part X of Act 11, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2020 for legislative authorization.

Lapse \$1,150,000.00 to the State Treasury pursuant to section 28-16(c) and (d), HRS:

- 1) Investment Pool: \$77,974.57
- 2) Case: CA Technologies Settlement: \$20,587.92
- 3) Case: David Garner, et al. v State of Hawaii: \$418,205.80
- 4) Case: Tennille v 77 Western Union Co.: \$629,674.61
- 5) Case: Cancer Trust Fund: \$3,557.10

Financial Data for Fiscal Years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021:

Below are the details of the revenue and expenditure for this account for FY 2019-2020 and FY 2020-2021

	FY 2019-2020	FY 2020-2021
Beginning Cash Balance	4,037,515.33	1,523,400.83
Beginning Encumbrances	0.00	0.00
Revenues	143,990.00	1,660,031.76
Expenditures	2,658,104.50	1,293,990.00
Transfers	0.00	0.00
Ending Cash Balance	1,523,400.83	1,889,442.59

Revenue by Source Code – Fiscal Year 2020-2021:		T-21-909-N	
Source Code	Description		Revenue
0288	INVESTMENT POOL ACCOUNT		2,009.81

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0787	JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS	1,658,021.95

Total Revenue: 1,660,031.76

Expenditure by Object Code - Fiscal Year 2020-2021:

Object Code	Description	Expenditure
6800	JUDGMENT AND CLAIMS	143,990.00
9991	TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND	1,150,000.00

Total Expenditure: 1,293,990.00

Collections Made on Behalf of Other Departments and Agencies

Section 28-16(e)(2), HRS, requires the Department to prepare a summary of the collections made in any amount on behalf of other departments and agencies specifying the appropriate number of transactions and amount collected for each department and agency. This report is for fiscal year 2020-2021 as follows:

Department/Agency Department of Attorney General Asset Forfeiture Department of Human Services Department of Labor and Industrial Relations Department of Transportation Department of Taxation Hawaii Health System Corporation Miscellaneous Departments (Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS), Attor General (ATG), Education (DOE), Health (DOE) Public Safety (PSD), Human Resources Develop (DHRD), Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), University of Hawaii (UH)) Breakdown below:	10,014,228.45 1,871 610,328.12 333 1,210,881.10 151 1,309,219.74 464 1,217,609.46 7,040
	50.00
	91.14 12
DAGS Subrogation 6,5	76.27 8
DAGS Salary Overpayment 1	52.001
DOE Salary Overpayment 8,4	71.23 39
DOE Criminal Restitution 1,3	20.00
DOE UH Stipend 25,0	34.70 54
DOE Worker's Compensation 10,00	00.001
DHRD Worker's Compensation 81,9	02.88 12_
DOH Dishonored Check 5	66.00 9
DOH Salary Overpayment 8	19.81 4
DOH Hawaii State Hospital 1	0.001
DLNR Salary Overpayment 1,2	04.68 5
DLNR Restitution 2,4	20.00 12
ATG Labor Division 7,8	65.08 22
PSD Salary Overpayment 7,6	25.63 13
Judiciary (Bail Bond Forfeitures) 216,7	88.00 120
Attorney General 60,2	18.54 1
MISC 4	28.00
Miscellaneous Departments Total	435,443.96 323
TOTAL	15,111,115.83 10,256