GOV. MSG. NO. 520

WORK EXPERIENCE

Retired (November 2020 – Present)

Hawai`i Fire Department (September 2011 – November 2020) Fire Chief

- Department Head responsible for all Division and Bureau leaders of the Hawaii Fire Department
- Responsible for Department budget of \$40,000,000.
- Responds to and assumes command of extensive, complex or catastrophic fire, search and rescue, hazardous materials or other emergency incidents
- Serves as the Department Head liaison at Civil Defense Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to ensure collaboration of inter-agency planning and logistics during incidents of nature disasters and community crisis involving the entire County.
- Oversee and evaluate the work of Deputy Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chiefs; meets with Chief
 Officers to evaluate activities, discuss problems and solutions, and collaborate on strategies for
 improvement
- Hawaii County Representative on the State Fire Council

Hawai`i Fire Department (October 2009 – September 2011) Assistant Fire Chief, Operations

- Plan, direct, coordinate, and has day-to-day responsibility for County-wide firefighting, search and rescue, hazardous materials, and emergency medical services operations
- Prepare, justify and manage budget requirements for the assigned Division; oversees the personnel requirements for the Division
- Develops department goals and objectives as a member of the Senior Management Team
- Review performance of the firefighting force to assure optimum utilization of personnel, equipment and facilities; develops and recommends intervention strategies when appropriate
- Enforces all policies and rules of the fire department and the County of Hawai`i and institute disciplinary action when appropriate
- Review Division activity reports to determine compliance with Departmental policies, procedures and practices; prepares and submits periodic reports regarding Battalion activities and needs
- Provides guidance in the Department's record manage systems program to Battalion Commanders
- Responds to and assumes command of extensive, complex or catastrophic fire, search and rescue, hazardous materials or other emergency incidents
- Serves as the administrative liaison at Civil Defense Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to ensure collaboration of inter-agency planning and logistics during incidents of nature disasters and community crisis
- Oversee and evaluate the work of Battalion Commanders; meets with Commanders to evaluate activities, discuss problems and solutions, and collaborate on strategies for improvement

Hawai`i County Fire Department (December 2005 October 2009) Battalion Chief of Operations, 1st Battalion "B" Platoon

- Responsible for the operations and direct supervision of a Battalion of twelve (12) Fire Companies, which included Fire Suppression, EMS, Hazardous Material, and Ocean / Land/ Technical Rescue
- Review performance of the firefighting force to assure optimum utilization of personnel, equipment and facilities; develop and recommend intervention strategies when appropriate
- Enforce all policies and rules of the Fire Department and the County of Hawai`i and institute disciplinary action when appropriate
- Assisted with writing and submitting Federal and State grants
- Active Member, Strategic Planning Committee

Hawai'i County Fire Department (Nov 2002 – Dec 2005) Fire Captain/Mobile Intensive Care Technician

- Responsible for the direct supervision of a Rescue Company of five (5) personnel
- Provided Relief Mobile Intensive Care Technician Duties at EMS Stations.
- Assisted members of the Fire Department Training Division in providing instruction to the incoming Firefighter Recruits
- Assisted with writing and submitting Federal and State grants. Was part of the Team that was successful in the award of federal grants from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant, U.S. Forestry and Wildlife Firefighting Grant and the Community Development Block Grant Programs

Hawai'i County Fire Department (Mar 2002 – Jan 2007) Aero Medical Coordinator for Chopper-2

- Directly responsible for operational details of the Emergency Medical Services, Medical Evacuation Helicopter
- Prepare and submit monthly reports to the Fire Chief

Hawai'i County Fire Department (Feb 2000 – Nov 2002) Fire Equipment Operator/Mobile Intensive Care Technician

- Performed duties and responsibilities of a Fire Equipment Operator
- Active member of the Rescue Company, utilizing skills for land and sea rescues
- Accepted temporary assignment as Fire Rescue Captain
- Provided Relief Mobile Intensive Care Technician Duties at EMS Stations
- Participated in putting together Grant applications for the Hawai'i County Fire Department

Hawai'i County Fire Department (July 1992 – Feb 2000) Firefighter/Mobile Intensive Care Technician

- Performed duties and responsibilities of a Firefighter/Mobile Intensive Care Technician
- Assisted with the Physical Fitness routines for Firefighter Recruit classes

Hawai`i County Fire Department (April 1990 – July 1992) Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician

- Performed duties and responsibilities of a Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician
- Assisted with the Physical Fitness routines for Firefighter Recruit classes

Hawai`i County Fire Department (Feb 1990 - April 1990) Firefighter Recruit, 16th Firefighter recruit class

- Completed Formal Firefighting Course requirements.
- Honored as "Most Outstanding" Firefighting Recruit

Kapi`olani Community College June 1993 - Oct 1998 Assistant Instructor, Emergency Medical Services

 Provided instruction to students in First Responder, Emergency Medical Technician, and Mobile Intensive Care Technician courses

Hawai`i Army National Guard, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry (July 1986 - July 1994) Combat Medical Specialist

Performed Advanced Life Support Medical treatment for Infantry Company as a Line,
 Evacuation Section and Battalion Aid Station Medic

EDUCATION RELATED TO THE FIRE and EMS SERVICE

- 2012 Executive Fire Officer Program, National Fire Academy, Emmitsburg, Maryland
- 1998 Associates of Science, Fire Science, Honolulu Community College
- 1992 Associates of Science, Mobile Intensive Care Technician, Kapi`olani Community College
- 1987 Certificate of Completion, Emergency Medical Technician, Kapi'olani Community College
- 1987 Certificate of Completion, Combat Medical Specialist, US Army Academy of Health Sciences, Fort Sam, Houston, Texas.

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

July 1992-Present State of Hawai`i Board of Medical Examiners, Mobile Intensive Care Technician Nov 1987-July 1992 State of Hawai`i Board of Medical Examiners, Emergency Medical Technician

Dec 2009 - Dec 2012 Certified Lifeguard

Hawai`i Driver's License, Commercial Driver's License, Class B Hawai`i County Fire Department, Driver's License Class 2 and 3 Certified, Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (SCUBA)

Certified, Tanker-1 Compressed Air/Foam systems (CAFS), Aerial Ladder and Fuel Truck Operator

AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

July 2003	Hawai'i Air National Guard Patriotic Employer Award
Dec 2002	Aloha Exchange Club of Hilo, Firefighter of the Year
Oct 1993	U.S. Army National Guard, Awarded the Army Commendation Medal for
	Exceptional Meritorious Duty
Apr 1990	16th Firefighter Recruit Class, Most Outstanding Firefighting Recruit
Sept 1989	U.S. Army National Guard, Army Achievement Medal for Meritorious Duty

Sept 1988

U.S. Army National Guard, Army Achievement Medal for Meritorious Duty

VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Former Member, State Fire Council,
- Member, Hawaii Fire Chiefs Association
- Member, International Association of Fire Chiefs
- CPR Instructor, Hawai'i County Fire Department CPR Program
- Past Member and Vice Chair, State of Hawai`i Emergency Medical Services, Advisory Committee to Governor Linda Lingle, Hawai`i County Fire Department Representative
- Past Member, County of Hawai`i Emergency Medical Services, Advisory Committee to Mayor S. Yamashiro
- Member, "A Dream Come True" Organization
- Former Coach, Hui Aumakua Athletic Association, Youth Baseball
- Former Coach, Andrew's Athletic Association, Youth Baseball and Basketball