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Significant Experience

December 2013-Present: Meeting Expectations Hawaii (Sole Proprietor).
Provide a variety of alternative dispute resolution processes and training, including mediation and facilitation, specifically tailored to meet clients' needs. Focus on issues involving religious organizations, non-profit organizations, and government.

1994-November 2013: Director (1996-2013), Hawaii Judiciary, Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution (Research Analyst, 1994-1996).
Developed mediation programs for the courts and executive branch; worked on education and training on ADR-related issues; researched/advised the courts on ADR-related issues; oversaw the Judiciary's contract with the community mediation centers; mediated/facilitated cases that affected public policy.

2001-2002: Deputy Director, Department of Human Services (Leave of absence from Judiciary).
Worked with the Director to oversee administration of welfare programs, vocational rehabilitation services, medical assistance programs, child welfare services, and adult protection services. Department had approximately 2,000 employees and budget over \$1 Billion.

Education

William S. Richardson School of Law, J.D., (Law Review; Moot Court Honors Board; Am Jur Award for Contracts); University of Colorado, B.A., Magna cum Laude.

Awards

Dean's Award (Richardson School of Law Alumni Association, 2018); Alumni Award (Advocates for Public Interest Law, 2016); Mahalo Award (Mediation Center of the Pacific, 2013); Distinguished Service (Hawaii Women Lawyers, 2012); Group Certificate of Commendation, Mortgage Foreclosure (Judiciary, 2011); Reverend King Peacemaker Award (Church of the Crossroads, 2007); Lawyer as Problemsolver (Mediation Center of the Pacific, 2004 and 2006); Improved Justice Award (Mediation Center of the Pacific, 2001); Rhoda Lewis Award (Hawaii Women's Legal Foundation, 2000).

Significant Publications

Barkai & Kent, "Let's Stop Spread Rumors About Settlement & Litigation," 29 Ohio.S.University Journal of Dispute Resolution 85 (2014); shorter article in Vol. 19, Number 2 Hawaii Bar Journal 15 (2015).

Barkai, Kent, & Martin, "Settling Civil Lawsuits in the Hawaii Circuit Courts," Vol. 10, No. 13 Hawaii Bar Journal 1 (2007).