

NAOMI KUWAYE

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Ms. Kuwaye specializes in environmental, natural resources law, land use, public utilities, and administrative law. Her practice includes land use permitting, public utility regulation, environmental litigation and compliance with federal, state and local laws and regulations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2012 – PRESENT

OF COUNSEL, ASHFORD & WRISTON, LLLP

2003-2012

PARTNER, IMANAKA KUDO & FUJIMOTO

2001-2003

ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY, IMANAKA KUDO & FUJIMOTO

1996-2001

ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY, DWYER IMANAKA SCHRAFF KUDO MEYER & FUJIMOTO

1992-1996

LAW CLERK/ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY, THE ROBERT SIMON LAW FIRM (OREGON)

1988-1991

INTERN, VOLUNTEER AND LEGISLATIVE AIDE FOR THE HONORABLE DONNA MERCADO KIM, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

EDUCATION

JURIS DOCTORATE/CERTIFICATE IN ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW, LEWIS & CLARK NORTHWESTERN SCHOOL OF LAW

BACHELOR OF ARTS – JOURNALISM AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII - MANOA

HAWAII BAPTIST ACADEMY

ACTIVITIES

- Served as Chair, Vice-Chair and Program Chair for the Natural Resources Section of the Hawaii State Bar Association.
- Invited Speaker and panelist on issues involving land use, government, boundary issues, Clean Water act compliance, critical habitat and endangered species issues.
- Hawaii Baptist Academy Alumni Association, Member and past Chair.
- Active Member of the American Bar Association, Hawaii State Bar Association and Oregon State Bar Association.
- Admitted to practice in Hawaii, Oregon and Washington (inactive status).