

## **GM 631 Joy Shimabuku**

- (1) Why do you wish to be a member of the Board of Dentistry?

**I would like to serve as a member to ensure the health and safety of the public.**

- (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board of Dentistry?

**to see that each licensee is qualified and practices within the scope of licensure to protect consumer safety.**

- (3) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board of Dentistry member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

**I have gained general skills in rule making, state laws and also policy and procedures. Expertise served as past board member both as a licensee and public member.**

- (4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

**To maintain public awareness and consumer health and safety**

- (5) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board of Dentistry.

**Vocal-not afraid to ask questions?! Conscientious-working hard to ensure public safety. Integrity- honest and open minded**

- (6) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board of Dentistry member.

**As a licensed professional , I had to make a decision to disqualify a candidate and a licensed person for not complying with state laws and rules regulations**

- (7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board of Dentistry? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

**No if so I will recuse myself.**

**Testimony of the Board of Dentistry**

**Before the  
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection  
Friday April 8, 2022  
9:30 a.m.  
Conference Room 229 and Videoconference**

**On the following measure:  
G.M. 631, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION  
TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JOY SHIMABUKU,  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2025**

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Sandra Matsushima, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Dentistry (Board). The Board supports the appointment of Ms. Shimabuku as a public member.

Ms. Shimabuku previously served on the Board as a public member from May 2014 to June 2021, and was a devoted member of the Board. She came prepared for the meetings, asked relevant questions, and participated in the discussions.

In addition, by sharing her 50+ years as a licensed cosmetologist and as a small business owner, Ms. Shimabuku provides great insight from the prospective of a licensee and sole practitioner that the Board has found useful when making its decisions. She is also very effective in providing a consumer's point of view.

Ms. Shimabuku's interest in serving on the Board, her professional experiences, and desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Aloha

I have known Joy B. Y. Shimabuku for 42 years as my cosmetologist and we became friends after a short while. She has high moral standards and is very diligent in everything she does.

She is trust worthy and would be consumer orientated and would be concerned about safety , health of the consumer as a lay person on the Board of Dentistry.

I highly recommend her and know she will do and excellent job in representing us.

Sincerely ,

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To the Honorable Senator Baker,

I am writing to you regarding Ms. Joy Shimabuku's appointment to the Board of Dentistry. My name is David Primiano and I am a retired detective from the Honolulu Police Department. I have known Joy for over eight years. She is trustworthy and is not afraid to speak out for what she believes is the right thing to do. Joy would be an asset to the Board of Dentistry. When she makes a commitment, she will surely attend scheduled meetings with the desire to represent and protect the public.

If you have any further questions please contact me at:

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With respect,

David Primiano