Michael Miyahira

Mike Miyahira provides consulting services to owners of family owned and closely held businesses located across the state of Hawaii. He focuses on succession planning, family business governance issues, owner policy development, and strategic planning, serving clients on all islands.

Born on Maui, Miyahira graduated in 1971 from H. P. Baldwin High School in Wailuku and received his Bachelors of Science in Business Administration from Oregon State University. He later attended the National Commercial Lending Graduate School sponsored by the American Bankers Association, where he graduated with honors.

Prior to his retirement from banking in 1999, Miyahira spent more than 24 years with one of Hawaii's largest commerical banks on the islands of Oahu, Maui and Hawaii. He assisted with the creation of the bank's Business Banking Division in the late 70's and then spent the bulk of his banking career as a senior lending officer and manager of several of the bank's business banking units.

From 2002 to 2017, Miyahira additionally served as the chief financial officer for a real property development company which successfully developed 560 acres of land in Pepeekeo, Hawaii.

In addition to his consulting work, Miyahira also provides accounting and administrative services to the Synergistic Hawaii Agriculture Council, a non-profit that uses federal, state, and county grant monies to help several agricultural industry groups to develop marketing programs and provide technical assistance to agribusiness owners.

In addition to his business interests, Miyahira is a member of the University of Hawaii, Shidler Family Business Center of Hawaii and serves on its Big Island Advisory Board. The FBCH is a source of information and ideas for owners of family businesses.

Miyahira has also been a trustee of the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection of the Hawaii Supreme Court from 1996 through 2021, serving as its chair for many years. He is also a past president of the National Client Protection Organization, an organization comprised of client protection fund administrators, trustees, and bar association committee members, with jurisdictions that span the US and Canada. He has been a presenter at the American Bar Association's Center for Professional Responsibility's annual Client Protection Forum as well as the National Client Protection Organization's annual Fall Workshop.

He is a member of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, the Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce, the Island of Hawaii YMCA, and the Japanese Community Association of Hawaii.

He is a past adjunct professor at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, College of Business and Economics, past president of the Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce, the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement of Hawaii Island, the Big Island Business Council and the Hawaii Island United Way; past treasurer for the United Way Statewide Association of Hawaii, and past vice chair and corporate treasurer for the Island of Hawaii YMCA. He has also served on the board of Hawaii Care Choices, the State of Hawaii's Dept. of Public Safety, Hawaii Island Corrections Advisory Council as well as on the Advisory Council for the College of Business and Economics at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.