

Harold J Dias Jr

After serving as a technician for Hawaiian Telephone Company for 12 years, Harold emerged unto the Hawaii Labor Union scene in 1998 when, at 31, he was elected Business Manager/Financial Secretary of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 1357, representing the 2000 employees of GTE Hawaiian Tel. As the principal Officer of his local union for six years, Harold presided over the most productive and profitable years in Hawaiian Tel/Verizon and was instrumental in negotiating two of the most substantial contracts in the local unions history.

In 2001, Harold was unanimously elected as President of the Hawaii State AFL-CIO. He was re-elected in 2003 and served out his two-year term of office. As President, Harold represented the interest of the 65 affiliated Unions and over 100,000 working men and woman in our State. He made coordinated political education and involvement his top priorities during his two terms in office.

On January 31, 2004, Harold resigned his position of 6 years as Business Manager/Financial Secretary of IBEW 1357 to accept an appointment as an International Representative of the IBEW with responsibility for all of Hawaii, Guam and Saipan.

In 2005, Harold's business and leadership skill and accomplishments were recognized when he was selected for the Pacific Business News *Forty under 40* award and followed the very next year with his selection into the *Pacific Century Fellows* leadership program class of 2006.

In 2009, Harold fulfilled a life-long dream of moving back home to where he was raised on the island of Kauai.

Harold is very active in his church and within the community and has served on several non-profit Boards.

When not working, Harold enjoys most spending time with his family, fishing, and working on his home.

Personal and Family Background

Date of Birth: November 1, 1966
High School: Koolau Baptist Academy
College: Pillsbury Baptist College
Technical School: Cleveland Institute of Electronics
Military: U.S. Army Reserves (1985-1991)
Spouse: [REDACTED]
Church Affiliation: Member, Kauai Baptist Church

Employment

GTE Hawaiian Tel Station Technician/Customer Zone Technician, 1988-1998
IBEW L.U. 1357 Business Manager-Financial Secretary, 1998-2004
IBEW International Representative, 2004-Present

Community Service

Kauai Baptist Church	Trustee, 2011-2022
Read-To-Me International Board of Directors	Board Member, 2000-2020
Hawaii Dental Service	Board Member, 2003-2011
Industrial Relations Research Association	Board Member, 2003-2011
Honolulu City Planning Commission	Commissioner, 2009-2010
Honolulu Community Development Block Grant	Chair, 2008-2009
Hanalani Christian Schools	Board Member, 2003-2009
Oahu Workforce Investment Board	Board Member, 2003-2009
Aloha United Way Executive Committee	Vice-President, 2002-2006
Aloha United Way Board of Directors	Board Member, 2000-2006