

CURRICULUM VITAE

DAVID M. LOUIE

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EDUCATION

Berkeley Law School, University of California at Berkeley, J.D., 1977
Occidental College, A.B. cum laude, 1973; International Fellowship Award Recipient

EXPERIENCE

2015 to Present **Kobayashi Sugita & Goda**

Responsibilities: Provide advice, counsel and trial representation to various clients regarding litigation matters, primarily representing commercial entities, insurance companies, construction companies, the State of Hawaii, financial institutions, businesses and individuals; areas of concentration: commercial litigation, catastrophic personal injury defense, construction defect litigation, government affairs, and lobbying.

2011 to 2014 **Attorney General, State of Hawaii**
Appointed by Governor Neil Abercrombie as Chief Legal Officer for the State of Hawaii

Responsibilities: Provide advice, counsel and representation to all aspects of state government (including the Governor, department heads, legislators and employees) on all legal matters for the State, both civil and criminal; manage and supervise the Department of the Attorney General, consisting of approximately 750 employees, including 18 legal service divisions and 5 non-legal professional services divisions, 185 deputy attorneys general, 50 investigators, and various professionals and support staff, with a \$70 million annual budget; major areas of concentration: administration, litigation, education, employment law, tax, health, housing, human services, land, transportation, commerce and economic development, Native Hawaiian issues, public safety, tort, civil rights.

Major Initiatives and Accomplishments (2011-2014):

Settlement of Certain Native Hawaiian Claims. Settled claims unresolved for 30 years by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) against the State for past due amounts for the use of “ceded

lands” conveyed to the State by the United States upon statehood, by transferring approximately \$200 million of land to OHA.

National Mortgage Foreclosure Settlement. Participated in national \$25 billion settlement of 49 states and the United States with five major banks involved in the mortgage foreclosure debacle. \$80 million in benefits allocated to Hawaii homeowners; new national mortgage servicing standards and procedures established.

Tax Claims Against Online Travel Companies. Suit brought against major Online Travel Companies (Expedia, Orbitz, Travelocity, etc.) for failure to pay general excise and transient accommodation (hotel) taxes for hotel rooms, air fares and car rentals in Hawaii. Partial summary judgment granted for the State for \$246 million; matter is currently on appeal to the Hawaii Supreme Court.

Same Sex Marriage. Provided legislative drafting, strategy and testimony in support of Marriage Equality bill allowing same sex marriage; personally defended and upheld the new law from subsequent state court legal challenge.

Turtle Bay Conservation Easement. Negotiated a \$48.5 million deal for a conservation easement on 665 acres of resort development ocean front and golf course slated for residential housing and other development; drafted, testified and passed enabling legislation to fund transaction.

Departmental Improvements. Initiated and implemented departmental improvements, training programs, technology upgrades for hardware and software, Innovations committee, Major Litigation Unit to manage and oversee all important litigation.

National Participation With Other Attorneys General. Actively participated in National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG), Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG), and Democratic Attorneys General Association (DAGA), serving as chair, vice-chair and member on various NAAG, CWAG and DAGA committees; leadership roles in confronting Google and Backpage.com to prevent human trafficking, piracy of intellectual property, and sales of illegal drugs.

1988 to 2011 Roeca, Louie & Hiraoka (Founding and Managing Partner)

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litigation matters, primarily representing insurance companies, construction companies, financial institutions, businesses and individuals; areas of concentration: tort and insurance defense, catastrophic injuries, construction defect litigation, legal malpractice, commercial litigation, design professional malpractice, shareholder oppression claims; managed firm consisting of 10-12 attorneys and up to 30 total employees.

1977 to 1988 Case & Lynch (Associate, Partner)

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AWARDS

Best Lawyers of Hawaii, 2023, 2024

Local Litigation Star, Benchmark Litigation, 2017

Daniel K. Inouye Trailblazer Award, National Asian-Pacific American Bar Association, 2015

Alumni Seal Award for Service to the Community, Occidental College, 2013

Hawaii Super Lawyers, 2008-2011

TEACHING/SPEAKING EXPERIENCE

ThinkTech Hawaii:

Life in the Law – The Purdue Pharma Case Settlement Overturned, 2024

History is Here to Help – The 16th Street Baptist Church Bombing, Guests U.S. Senator

Doug Jones and former Alabama Attorney General Bill Baxley, 2023

Burning Global Issues – What Happens Without Democracy, 2022

Time for Responsible Change – An Attorney General's View, 2022

Bigotry in America – Racism Against Asians in America, 2021

History Lens – Fixing the Constitution to Resolve Our Competing Narratives, 2021

New Possibilities Hour of Will Work For Food:

From the Desk of the Attorney General, 2022

Hawaii Book & Music Festival:

From the Desk of the Attorney General, 2021

University of Hawaii Richardson School of Law:

Ethics and Technology, 2021

Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS):

APAICS In Conversation with the Honorable David M. Louie, 2016

Hawaii State Bar Association:

Leadership Academy, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015

Collections Section – Perspectives of the Attorney General, 2013
Tort Law Update, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004
Hot Topics in Litigation and Mediation Techniques, 2001
Depositions, 1997

Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel
Disruption of Litigation – Trust Us, We’re the Government, 2015
The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, 2012
Litigation Management College, Faculty, 2009, 2008
Use and Admissibility of High Definition Video Visibility Studies, Computer Animations and Computer Simulations, 2007
Water Sports and Recreational Liability Issues, 2006

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
Western Regional Conference Keynote Speaker, 2014
Use and Admissibility of High Definition Video Visibility Studies, Computer Animations and Computer Simulations, 2008
Expert Witness Depositions, 2007
Enhancing Your Image, 2004

American Conference Institute
Consumer Finance Conference – State Government Perspectives, 2015
Cyber Security Conference – Perspectives of an Attorney General, 2014
Residential Mortgage Conference – State Government Enforcement Issues, 2013

American Bar Association Convention
Keeping Your Audience Engaged and Energized, 2006
Hawaii: A Look at the Legal Profession in a Multi-Ethnic Community, 2006

National Business Institute (NBI) Seminars:
Admissibility of Evidence and Expert Testimony, 2003
Damages in Hawaii Civil Trial Practice, 2003
Adjusting Motor Vehicle Accident/Premises Liability Claims in Hawaii, 2003
Arbitrating and Trying the Automobile Injury Case in Hawaii, 1993
Insurance Litigation in Hawaii, 1992

Pacific Law Institute (PLI) Seminars:
Court Annexed Arbitration Program - Arbitrator Training, 2002
Premises Liability, 1995

Professional Education Systems, Inc. (PESI) Seminars:
Hawaii Insurance & Tort Law Update, 1996, 1995
Depositions (Strategies, Tactics & Mechanics), 1990
Selected Legal Issues in Work Site Accidents, 1989
Tort Liability Issues in Work Site Accident Cases, 1988

Miscellaneous Seminars:
Hawaiian Electric Company, Accident Investigation, 2007
Hawaiian Electric Company, Being a Witness - Helping Your Lawyer Help You, 2004

Hawaiian Electric Company, Line Contact Accident Investigations, 2002, 1998
Hawaiian Bitumuls & Paving Company, Job Site Accidents, 1994
Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company, Job Site Accidents, 1993
Safety Management: SHRM Conference, How to Control Your Liability Costs, 1993
People's Law School, Contracts and Negotiations, 1992
Hawaii Claims Association, Premises Liability: Slip and Fall Accidents, 1990
Hawaii Hotel Association, Kauai Chapter, Tort Reform, 1988
Guest Lecturer, University of Hawaii School of Law, Torts I, 1997

CREDENTIALS

Hawaii State Bar Association, 1978 to Present

State Bar of California, 1977 to Present

Licensed to Practice Law Before:

Supreme Court of the State of Hawaii

All Hawaii State Courts

All California State Courts (Inactive)

United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

United States District Court for the District of Hawaii

United States District Court for the Northern District of California

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow, 2016-Present

Trial Attorneys of America, 2015-Present

American Bar Foundation, Fellow, 2018-Present

National Association of Attorneys General, Member, 2011-2014, Intellectual Property Committee Co-Chair (2012-2014), Internet Safety and Cyber Security/Privacy Committee Chair (2014), Consumer Protection Committee Chair (2013-2014), Civil Rights Committee Co-Chair (2011-2014), Meeting Planning Committee Member (2012-2014), Financial Services Committee Co-Chair (2012-2013), Training Committee Co-Chair (2012-2014), Strategic Plan Implementation Committee, Member (2012-2013), Technology Committee, Member (2013), Social Networking Task Force, Member (2012-2013)

Conference of Western Attorneys General, Member 2011-2014, Audit Committee, Member (2014)

Democratic Attorneys General Association, Member 2011-2014, Allocations Committee, Member (2014)

American Judicature Society, Hawaii Chapter, Board Member, 2013-Present

Association of Defense Trial Attorneys, Member, 2008-Present

Hawaii Supreme Court Special Committee on Judicial Performance, Vice-Chair, 1997-2010

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Northwest Regional Governor, 2008-Present;
Hawaii Chapter, President, 1992-1995, Incorporator, 1994, Acting Treasurer, 1995-2010
Judicial Conference of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, Lawyer
Representative, 2005-2008
American Judicature Society Hawaii, Special Committee, ABA Model Code of Judicial Conduct,
2007-2008
Aloha Tower Development Corporation, State of Hawaii, Director, 1998-2006; Chairman, 1999-
2005
Hawaii State Bar Association, President, 2001; Vice President, 2000; Director, 1995-1999;
Member, 1978-Present; Outstanding Volunteer Award, 2005
Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Member, 2002-Present; Diversity Committee,
Chair, 2006-2009; Vice-Chair, 2004-2005; Premises and Security Liability Substantive
Law Section, Vice-Chair, 2004-2006
Hawaii Defense Lawyer Association, Vice President, 2000, Secretary-Treasurer 1994-1999,
Director, 1993-2010
Defense Research Institute, Member, 1990-Present
American Bar Association (Sections on Tort & Insurance Practice, Litigation, Practice
Management), 1978-Present
American Bar Association Minority Counsel Demonstration Program, Participant, 1994
Ohana Insurance Company of Hawaii, Inc., Secretary-Vice President-Director, 1994-1995
Hawaii State Bar Association Bench/Bar Committee, 2001-2002, 1997-1999
Summit on Pro Bono, Hawaii Supreme Court, 1997
Hawaii State Judicial Conference, Delegate, 1993-1994
Advisory Group to the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii, Biden Committee,
1993-1995
Judicial Conference of the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii, Delegate,
2003, 2002, 1992, 1990
Listed in Who's Who in American Law, 1982-2014

COMMUNITY SERVICE

American Judicature Society, Board Member, 2015-Present
ThinkTech Hawaii, Board Member, 2017-2024
Easter Seals Hawaii, Board Member 2016-2022
Amicus Club Campaign Committee, American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii, Member, 1993-
Present, Co-Chair, 1997-1999
Junior Achievement of Hawaii, Director, 1987-1990; Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee for Sale of
Headquarters Leasehold Interest, 1990

PUBLICATIONS

From the Desk of the Attorney General, Legacy Isles Publishing, 2021

“What to Do When You’ve Been Sued: How to Help Your Lawyer Help You, Parts I, II and III”
Hawaii Business Magazine, October 2007, January 2008, April 2008

“Use and Admissibility of High Definition Video Visibility Studies, Computer Animations and
Computer Simulations,” FDCC Quarterly, Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel,
Vol. 58, No. 1, Fall, 2007

“Water Sports and Recreational Liability Issues (Come on In, the Water’s Fine!),” FDCC
Quarterly, Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel, Vol. 56, No. 4, Summer, 2006

“Judging Judges,” Hawaii Bar Journal, July 2003

“Perspectives - The State of Our Bar,” Hawaii Bar Journal, December 2001

“Perspectives - Beware of Geeks Bearing Gifts,” Hawaii Bar Journal, September 2001

“Perspectives - Pro Bono Publico,” Hawaii Bar Journal, June 2001

“Perspectives - Luddites and Lawyers,” Hawaii Bar Journal, April 2001

“Who Will Guard the Guardians,” Hawaii Bar Journal, 2000

“Coastal Construction Developments,” Hawaii Architect, 1987

“250 Cousins,” New China, 1974