

Ken C. Kawahara, P.E.
President

ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

President and Chief Executive Officer of the firm. Duties include principal project management, facilities planning, marketing, business development, strategic planning, monitoring of work effort and quality control. Prior to joining Akinaka & Associates, Ltd., Ken Kawahara served as the deputy director for the State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Commission on Water Resource Management to administer and implement, under the direction of the Commission, the State Water Code and all rules, and other directives by the Commission. His professional experience includes planning, design, contracting, construction, construction management, regulatory compliance and environmental quality monitoring. He has extensive experience in project management over a variety of projects including water resource management, master planned subdivisions, wastewater pretreatment, collection, treatment, disposal, recycled/reclaimed water and biosolids reclamation/reuse.

EDUCATION:

University of Hawaii at Manoa B.S., Civil Engineering (1992)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

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| 2011 - Present | President | Akinaka & Associates, Ltd. |
| 2010 - 2011 | Vice-President | Akinaka & Associates, Ltd. |
| 2007 - 2010 | Deputy Director | State of Hawaii, DLNR |
| 1997 - 2007 | Acting Regulatory Control Branch Chief | City & County of Honolulu, Dept. of Env. Services |
| 1996 - 1996 | Construction Engineer | Gentry Homes, Ltd. |
| 1994 - 1995 | Construction Engineer | R.M. Towill Corporation |
| 1993 - 1994 | Environmental Engineer | M&E Pacific Inc. |

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION:

State of Hawaii (1997) Certificate No. 9148

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

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| American Council of Engineering Companies | Board of Directors (2014 - 2021) Secretary (2016 - 2017) Treasurer (2017 - 2018) President Elect (2018 - 2020) Past President (2020 - 2021) |
| American Public Works Association Hawaii Section | Secretary (2011 - 2012) Treasurer (2012 - 2013) Vice President (2013 - 2014) President (2014 - 2015) |
| American Society of Civil Engineers | Vice President (1991 - 1992) Member (1993 - Present) Hospitality Chair (1995 - 1998) Outreach Co-Chair (2003 - 2006) |
| American Water Works Association Hawaii Section | Government Trustee (2007 - 2010) Consultant Trustee (2017 - 2021) Vice Chair (2020 - 2021) Chair (2021 - 2022) Past Chair (2022 - 2023) Director (2023 - Present) |
| American Water Works Association | Member (1992 - Present) |
| Goodwill Contract Services Hawaii | Board Member (2020 - Present) Treasurer (2021 - Present) |
| Hawaii Council of Engineering Societies | Member (2014 - 2017) Secretary (2016) Treasurer (2017) |
| Hawaii Leeward Planning Conference | Executive Committee (2012 - Present) Vice Chair (2013 - 2014) Chair (2015 - 2017) |



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| Hawaii Water Environment Association | Member (1993 - Present) Exhibits Committee Chair (1999) Pretreatment Committee Vice Chair (1999-2002) |
| Pacific Water Conference | Co-Chair (2019 - 2020) |
| Solid Waste Association of North America | Member (2002 - 2008) |
| Water Environment Federation | Member (1993 - Present) |
| Western Regional Pollution Prevention Network | Member (2002 - 2010) Advisory Board representing Hawaii (2002 - 2010) |

HONORS, ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

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| 'Ahahui Koa Anuenue | Board Member (2022 - Present) |
| Air Force Civilian Advisory Council | Member (2014 - Present) |
| City & County of Honolulu Zoning Board of Appeals | Board Member (2013 - 2022) Chair/Vice Chair (2015 - 2022) |
| Hawaii Council of Engineering Societies Engineer of the Year | 2020 |
| 'Iolani Alumni Association | Board Member (2007 - 2012) Vice President (2001 - 2012) President (2012) |
| 'Iolani School | Board of Governors (2012) |
| Oahu Transit Services, Inc. | Board of Directors (2022 - Present) |
| Pacific Century Fellows Program | Alumni (2007) |
| University of Hawaii (UH) Chi Epsilon Honor Society | 54th Chapter Honor Member (2019) |
| UH College of Engineering Dean's Council | Member (2016 - Present) |
| UH College of Engineering Homecoming Committee | Member (2010 - Present) |
| UH College of Engineering Annual Banquet Committee | Member (2012 - Present) |
| UH College of Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award | 2018 |
| UH Engineering Alumni Association | Member (1992 - Present) Board of Directors (2015 - Present) Secretary (2019 - 2020) Treasurer (2020 - 2021) Vice President (2021 - 2022) President (2022 - 2023) Past President (2023 - Present) |
| UH Engineer's Council | Vice President (1991) President (1992) |
| UH Search Advisory Committee for College of Engineering Dean | Member (2016 - 2017) |

