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Wendy F. Hanakahi

Associate

Wendy Hanakahi is passionate about helping people and companies solve their legal problems in a smart and efficient way. Wendy believes that it is a privilege to help her clients, and she brings a commitment to excellence and delivering results to her daily practice.

As a former deputy prosecuting attorney in Honolulu, Wendy has 25+ jury trials and 70+ bench trials under her belt. Her trial work has given her extensive experience in reading people and situations and being a steadfast and strategic advocate for her clients.

Born and raised on O`ahu, Wendy's roots in Hawai`i are deep. She graduated from Kamehameha Schools and completed her undergraduate studies at Harvard University before attending the William S. Richardson School of Law.

Practice Areas

Litigation

Admitted to Practice

Hawai`i

U.S. District Court for the District of Hawai`i

Affiliations

Hawaii State Bar Association

Hawaii State Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division Board of Directors (2005-2006)

Hawaii Women Lawyers, Board of Directors (2005-2006)

Education

William S. Richardson School of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2003)

- University of Hawai`i Law Review, 2001-2003; Recent Developments Editor, 2002-2003
- CALI Excellence for the Future Awards: Administrative Law, Business Reorganization in Bankruptcy, Legal Method Seminar section, Second-Year Seminar section

Harvard University (A.B., Biology, 1998)

Past Positions:

Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, City and County of Honolulu
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney (2008-2012)

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher, Honolulu, HI
Independent Contractor (2007)

McCorriston Miller Mukai MacKinnon LLP, Honolulu, HI
Associate Attorney (2003-2006)

Publications

Wendy F. Hanakahi, *Evolution-Creationism Debate: Evaluating the Constitutionality of Teaching Intelligent Design in Public School Classrooms*, 25 U. Haw. L. Rev. 9 (2002)
