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MARCUS L. KAWATACHI HIRED AS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HCRC

The Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission is pleased to announce the hiring of a new Executive Director, Marcus L. Kawatachi. The Commission engaged in a national search for a new Director upon the announcement of the retirement of former Executive Director, William D. Hoshijo.

Mr. Hoshijo was instrumental in drafting the statutes which the Commission enforces, and led the Commission as Executive Director for twenty-six years. The Commission recognizes William Hoshijo for his dedication to promoting civil rights and his service to the people of Hawai'i.

Mr. Kawatachi was previously Deputy Director of the Commission from 2011 until his recent installation as Executive Director. He has worked at the Commission in various capacities since his graduation from William S. Richardson School of Law in 1997, and is dedicated to the enforcement of civil rights law. He attended Princeton University for undergraduate work.

The Commission is a relatively young agency, opening its doors in 1991, and welcomes Mr. Kawatachi as its third Executive Director.