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# **HAWAI'I CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION** **KOMIKINA PONO KIWILA O HAWAI'I**

## **AGENDA (Amended)**

July 23, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. Meeting to be Held Remotely via Zoom.

Remote Meeting Link for July 23, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4349599058?pwd=VlpKZDVmZ3MzYit5clJQTE1VekhOdz09&omn=89323856806>

Meeting ID: 434 959 9058  
Passcode: dER5Xy

**Physical Meeting Location:** Princess Ruth Ke'elikōlani Building, 830 Punchbowl St, Rm 411  
No board members will be present.

Upon request, a testifier can be made visible to Board members and other meeting participants using either the remote meeting link above or at the physical meeting location.

**Instructions to attend State of Hawaii Virtual Board meetings via Zoom:**

<https://labor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/State-of-Hawaii-Virtual-Board-Attendee-Instructions.pdf>

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of minutes of June 10, 2025 and June 17, 2025 Commission Meetings
3. Executive Director's Report
  - a. Mediation: Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission's Mediation Program Year-to-Date Summary
  - b. Data and Production regarding Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission's

Caseload Data, Comparison by Year, Age of Filed Cases, Year-to-Date Data

4. Chief Counsel's Report

a. Legislative Update:

- i. Act 259, Gov. Msg. No. 1362, amends HRS § 368-1, to add "place of birth" as a protected basis, effective September 1, 2025
- ii. Senate Bill 31, relating to discriminatory restrictive covenants, vetoed by Governor, Gov. Msg. No. 1404

b. Update on Governor's approval to proposed amendments to Hawai'i Administrative Rules Title 12 Subtitle 46, Chapters 1-318

c. Update on docketed cases

- i. Commission's Final Decision filed in *Marcus L. Kawatachi, Executive Director, on behalf of the complaint filed by Junko Knipe v. Gary Sommer, as Trustee of the Holualoa Residence Trust, Peter Pritchard, as Trustee of the Holualoa Residence Trust, and Gary Sommer, individually*; Dkt. No. 24-001-H-D-SH-RET
- ii. Hearings Examiner's Findings of Fact/Conclusions of Law and Recommended Order in *Marcus L. Kawatachi, Executive Director, on behalf of the complaint filed by Ralna Sheldon v. Fiona Masaoy*; Dkt. No. 24-002-H-D-F
- iii. *Marcus L. Kawatachi, Executive Director, on behalf of the complaint filed by Brandie Payne and Gregory Payne v. Peary G. Wagner*; Dkt. No. 25-001-H-F

5. Executive Meeting, pursuant to HRS § 92-4

- a. Attorney-client discussion on the May 30, 2025 Findings of Fact/Conclusions of Law and Recommended Order by the Hearings Examiner, and review of the record of the contested case hearing held for *Marcus L. Kawatachi, Executive Director, on behalf of the complaint filed by Ralna Sheldon v. Fiona Masaoy*; Dkt. No. 24-002-H-D-F

6. Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission (HCRC) General Discussion

- a. Structure, Function, and Duties of HCRC
- b. Frequently Asked Questions and Staff Responses

7. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting
- b. HCRC open house on Friday, July 25, 2025 at 3:30pm

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, contact Constance Yonashiro at (808) 586-8636 or [DLIR.HCRC.INFOR@hawaii.gov](mailto:DLIR.HCRC.INFOR@hawaii.gov)

Requests made as early as possible will allow more time to fulfill your request if possible.

Testimony can be submitted via e-mail to [DLIR.HCRC.INFOR@hawaii.gov](mailto:DLIR.HCRC.INFOR@hawaii.gov), marked TESTIMONY in the title, or mailed to Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission, 830 Punchbowl Street, Room 411, Honolulu, HI 96813. Oral testimony will also be accepted.

Board packets, if prepared, will be available pursuant to H.R.S. § 92-7.5.

If the remote connection (via Zoom) is lost, the meeting will be recessed for up to thirty (30) minutes to restore communication. If the connection is lost, we will attempt to restart the meeting again with the same link. If the Commission can reestablish audio communication only, the meeting will be reconvened and continue. If the Commission is unable to reconvene the meeting because neither audiovisual communication nor audio communication can be reestablished within thirty minutes, the meeting will be automatically terminated.

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