

MAHILANI E.K. HIATT

PROFILE

As legal counsel, I represented parties in a large number of mediations and arbitrations in complex civil as well as labor matters. As a judge, I have presided over hundreds of hearings and settlement conferences to resolution in both civil and family law matters. As an arbitrator, I have presided over commercial and labor disputes. As a mediator, I have successfully mediated numerous matters as a neutral, including very complex high asset divorce disputes.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

2023 - Pres	CAAP Arbitrator, Third Circuit (also served from 2015 – 2018)
2021 – Pres	Partner, Hiatt & Hiatt, Mediator/Arbitrator/Neutral (Civil Litigation/Family)
2022 – 2027	Per Diem Judge, District and District Family Court, Third Circuit
2018 – 2021	District Family Court Judge, Third Circuit
2017 – 2018	Per Diem Judge, District and District Family Court, Third Circuit
2015 – 2018	Foreclosure Commissioner, Third Circuit
2010 – 2018	Partner, Hiatt & Hiatt, complex civil litigation
2005 – 2010	Associate Attorney, Law Office of Jerry M. Hiatt, complex civil litigation
2000 – 2001	Human Resources Administrator, Hawai‘i Electric Light Company (Hilo),
1993 – 1999	Associate Attorney, Bays Deaver Hiatt Lung & Rose, complex civil litigation

Admitted to all courts in the State of Hawai‘i, the United States District Court, District of Hawai‘i and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2021 – Pres	Panel of Neutrals, Dispute Prevention & Resolution
2021 – Pres	Mediator, West Hawai‘i Mediation Center
2022 – Pres	Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators, State of Hawai‘i Labor Relations
2023 - Pres	Mediator, Hawai‘i Appellate Mediation Program
2024 – Pres	Mediator, Hawai‘i Agricultural Mediation Program
2024 – Pres	Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association

Member: Hawai‘i State Bar Association (Family Law & Alternative Dispute Resolution Sections), Hawai‘i County Bar Association, West Hawai‘i County Bar Association and Women’s Lawyer Association.

MEDIATION/ARBITRATION TRAINING

May 2024	<i>Arbitration Fundamentals/Best Practices for New AAA Arbitrators</i> , AAA, Honolulu
Dec. 2023	<i>Mediation and Conflict Management Master Class</i> , Mediation Center of the Pacific
Sept 2023	<i>Domestic Mediation Training</i> , West Hawai‘i Mediation Center
Jun/Jul 2021	<i>Arbitrating in the Federal Sector</i> , Fed. Mediation & Conciliation Service Inst.
Feb 2018	<i>Mediating the Litigated Case</i> , Pepperdine Straus Institute for DPR (California)
Jan 2018	<i>Basic Mediation Training</i> , West Hawai‘i Mediation Center

EDUCATION

1993	William S. Richardson School of Law (J.D.)
1984	Colorado College (B.A. in History)
1980	Kamehameha Schools, Kapālama (Highschool Diploma)

INTERESTS

Family, long walks, reading and travel.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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