

The Judiciary, State of Hawaii

Testimony to the Senate Committee on Health

Senator Josh Green, Chair Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 1:30 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 229

By
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GM 556: Consideration and confirmation to the State Council on Mental Health, Gubernatorial Nominee, Louise Crum, for a term to expire 6/30/2016.

Dear Senator Green and Members of the Senate Health Committee:

I am writing in strong support of the appointment of Ms. Crum to the State Council on Mental Health.

I have worked with Louise as the presiding Judge for the Mental Health Court. She demonstrates the extraordinary expertise in dealing with the participants of the Mental Health Court Program and their team of support in the community. She has, over the course of years, developed both her own expertise, and also a network of successful connections so as to be able to tap into the expertise of others. She is widely respected and relied upon by the Mental Health Court Team, attorneys, mental health professionals, and service providers.



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I respectfully request your favorable consideration in confirming the appointment of Louise Crum to the State Council on Mental Health.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of this appointment.