

RE: **Proposed Amendment to Rule 6.1 of the Rules and Regulations
Concerning the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection of
the Supreme Court of Hawai'i**

EXTENDING DEADLINE TO FILE CLAIMS

The Supreme Court of Hawai'i seeks public comment regarding a proposal to amend Rule 6.1 of the Rules and Regulations Concerning the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection of the Supreme Court of Hawai'i. The proposal extends the deadline for aggrieved clients to file a claim with the Fund from 2 years to 5 years. The proposed rule is attached hereto.

Comments about the proposed rule should be submitted, in writing, **no later than Monday, December 1, 2014**, to the Judiciary Communications & Community Relations Office by mail to 417 South King Street, Honolulu, HI 96813, by facsimile to 539-4801, or via the Judiciary's website.

Attachment

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
CONCERNING THE LAWYERS' FUND FOR CLIENT PROTECTION
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF HAWAII**

(Deleted material is bracketed and stricken; new material is underlined)

Rule 6. CONSIDERATION OF AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.

6.1. When Claims Must be Filed.

Claims for reimbursement from the Fund shall not be brought later than ~~[two (2)]~~ 5 years after the claimant knew or should have known of the dishonest conduct of the lawyer. Claims for reimbursement, however, shall not be brought later than 2 years after a qualifying event specified in Rule 10.3(a)(3) of the Rules of the Supreme Court. Nothing herein shall preclude the trustees in the exercise of their discretion from considering a claim filed later than as provided in these rules upon good cause shown.

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