RE: Proposal to Adopt Rule 2.19(i) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i

## CONFIDENTIALITY OF PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ATTORNEYS

The Supreme Court of Hawai'i seeks public comment regarding a proposal to adopt Rule 2.19(i) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i. The proposal clarifies that the record of proceedings against an attorney are confidential - except for the order placing an attorney on inactive status. The proposed rule is attached hereto.

Comments about the proposed rule should be submitted, in writing, **no later than Friday, May 29, 2015,** 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 OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

(New material is underlined)

## 2.19. Proceedings where an attorney is declared to be incompetent or is alleged to be incapacitated.

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(i) The record of proceedings undertaken pursuant to this Rule shall not be publicly disclosed, except for the final order transferring an attorney to inactive status.