



Judicial Selection Commission
State of Hawai'i

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NOTICE OF JUDICIAL VACANCY

The Judicial Selection Commission is accepting applications and nominations to fill the following judicial vacancy in the State of Hawai'i:

Circuit Judge, Circuit Court of the First Circuit (island of O'ahu)

The Constitution of the State of Hawai'i requires that the persons selected by the Commission be residents and citizens of the State of Hawai'i and of the United States, and have been licensed to practice law by the Hawai'i Supreme Court. A judge of the circuit court shall have been licensed for a period of not less than ten years preceding nomination. No judge shall, during the term of office, engage in the practice of law, or run for or hold any other office or position of profit under the United States, the State or its political subdivisions.

The term of office of a circuit judge shall be ten years. The annual salary in Hawai'i of a circuit judge is \$197,112.

Full-time judges also receive employer contributions to premiums for enrollment in the state-sponsored medical, drug, vision and dental plans, a free life insurance policy, state retirement benefits, a deferred compensation supplemental retirement savings plan, 13 paid holidays annually (14 days during election years), 21 vacation and 21 sick leave days per year. Benefits are subject to modification or termination due to changes in statutes, pertinent rules and regulations. Judges shall be retired upon attaining the age of seventy years.

The Commission invites anyone who meets the constitutional requirements and is interested in the position to apply directly to the Commission. **Applicants:** Prior to submitting your application, submit a letter with a contact phone number and an e-mail address specifying the vacancy for which you are applying.

The Commission also invites persons to nominate qualified individuals for the position. **Nominators:** Mail your nomination to the address below with the nominee's full name and mailing address as soon as possible and not later than the **nomination deadline of Monday, February 20, 2017.**

TO APPLY: Please visit the Commission's website and fill out the form JS-P-084, the [Application for Judicial Office Form](#). The application must be postmarked or delivered to the address below on or before the **application deadline of Thursday, April 6, 2017.**

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