

RE: **Proposal to Amend Rule 5.1(e) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i**

*AMENDMENT REGARDING EXTENDED COVERAGE OF
GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS IN OPEN COURT*

The Supreme Court of Hawai'i seeks public comment regarding a proposal to amend Rule 5.1(e) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i (RSCH).

The amendment is intended to clarify the rules of RSCH Rule 5.1(e), governing extended coverage of grand jury indictments in open court. The proposed amendment is attached hereto.

Comments about the proposed amendment should be submitted, in writing, **no later than Monday, September 24, 2018**, 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 AMENDMENTS OF THE
RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I (RSCH)
RULE 5.1**

(New material is underlined)

**Rule 5.1. ELECTRONIC AND PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE
OF COURT PROCEEDINGS.**

(e) Request for extended coverage.

(1) All requests for extended coverage shall be made by the media or educational institution to the coordinator a reasonable time in advance of the commencement of the extended coverage. "Reasonable time" as used herein shall mean the period of time required for all parties to be notified in advance, shall consider the realities of court scheduling, and shall be the minimum time required to accomplish such notification. In proceedings for the return of indictments from grand juries, advance notice is not required.

(2) Requests for extended coverage shall be made in writing on a form provided by the Judiciary and shall refer to the individual case with sufficient identification to assist the coordinator in providing the required notice. In proceedings for return of indictments from grand juries, no case number shall be required. Such requests may be filed with the coordinator in person, by mail, or by facsimile transmission. . . .
