



## Judicial Selection Commission – The Judiciary – State of Hawai‘i

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### **JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION PRESS RELEASE** **CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT NOMINEES**

Under the Constitution of the State of Hawai‘i, Article VI, Appointment of Justices and Judges, Section 3: “The governor, with the consent of the senate, shall fill a vacancy in office of the chief justice, supreme court, intermediate appellate court and circuit courts, by appointing a person from a list of not less than four, and not more than six, nominees for the vacancy presented to the governor by the judicial selection commission.”

The Judicial Selection Commission is pleased to announce the nominees for the judicial vacancy in the Circuit Court of the First Circuit (island of O‘ahu), State of Hawai‘i. The judicial office has been vacant since the retirement of former Circuit Judge Randal K. O. Lee.

The nominees for the judicial office in the Circuit Court of the First Circuit are listed as follows in alphabetical order:

LindaLee K. Farm  
Timothy E. Ho  
Shirley M. Kawamura [Shimizu]  
James S. Kawashima  
James C. McWhinnie  
Jonathan L. Ortiz

The Governor has 30 days from his receipt of the list today to make his appointment.

#### **Statistics:**

Total Applicants: 22; 5 Females; 17 Males

Government Attorneys: 8

Private Attorneys: 13

Judges: 1

Per Diem Judges: 1

Age Range: (31-40) 2; (41-50) 6; (51-60) 10; (61-70) 4

Years Licensed Range: 11 years to 37 years.

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