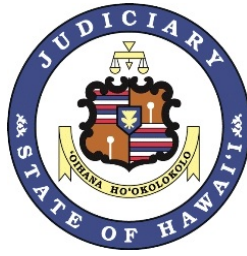


Supreme Court of the State of Hawai‘i



Proclamation

WHEREAS, **Harry T. Tanaka** was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawai‘i, and was the 1939 Valedictorian of Farrington High School. Following his graduation, Judge Tanaka studied at the University of Hawai‘i until December of 1941. His studies were interrupted by World War II, during which time he volunteered first for the Hawai‘i Territorial Guards, then the Varsity Victory Volunteers, and finally the United States Army, where he served with distinction in the Military Intelligence Service translating documents and interrogating prisoners until June 1947, when he received an honorable discharge. Judge Tanaka then returned to the University of Hawai‘i and graduated in 1949 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and Political Science. He then went on to earn a law degree from Yale Law School in 1952. After graduating from Yale, Judge Tanaka served for a year and a half as a law clerk to U.S. District Court Judge J. Frank McLaughlin. He then went into private practice as an associate with Tsukiyama & Yamaguchi, which was subsequently renamed the Law Office of Ralph T. Yamaguchi. In January 1961, he became a partner with Mr. Yamaguchi and the firm was renamed Yamaguchi & Tanaka, where he practiced law for more than 21 years; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 1982, the Judiciary became the beneficiary of Judge Tanaka’s wisdom and expertise when he was appointed by Governor George R. Ariyoshi as Associate Judge of the Intermediate Court of Appeals. He joined Chief Judge James S. Burns and Associate Judge Walter M. Heen, both of whom had just been sworn in to their respective positions the month before. Judge Tanaka served on the Intermediate Court of Appeals for nine full years with honor and distinction, before he retired in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Judge Tanaka helped to shape the Intermediate Court of Appeals during its early years, developing a collegial atmosphere with high standards of professionalism and productivity. Even after his retirement, he continued volunteering his time there for many years, reflecting his profound devotion and commitment to public service. His contributions to the court and the people of Hawai'i will always be remembered, and he will be greatly missed; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Judiciary expresses its sincere condolences to Judge Tanaka's daughter Lynne, son-in law Robert Toyofuku, and grandson Stephen Toyofuku; and to his son Alan, daughter-in-law Joni, and grandson Christopher Tanaka, and we extend our sincere appreciation for his many outstanding contributions to the Judiciary and the people of Hawai'i.

DONE, at the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i, this 24th day of February, 2018.

/s/ Mark E. Recktenwald

MARK E. RECKTENWALD
Chief Justice, Hawai'i State Supreme Court