

RE: **Proposal to Amend Rule 2.6(a) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i**

TO ALLOW PART-TIME DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL TO CONTINUE TO PRIVATELY PRACTICE LAW, SUBJECT TO CONFLICT CHECKS

The Supreme Court of Hawai'i seeks public comment regarding a proposal to amend Rule 2.6(a) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i, to allow part-time counsel for the Office of Disciplinary Counsel to continue to practice law outside of those duties, subject to conflict checks. The proposal is attached hereto.

Comments about the proposed amendments should be submitted, in writing, **no later than Tuesday, August 10, 2021**, 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 website](#).

Attachment

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE
RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAII**
(Deleted material is bracketed and stricken; new material is underlined.)

Rule 2. JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE.

2.6. Disciplinary counsel.

(a) Private practice not permitted. Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Deputy Chief Disciplinary Counsel, and salaried ~~[Assistant]~~ Deputy Disciplinary Counsel shall not engage in private practice, except that:

(1) The Board may agree to a reasonable period of transition after appointment; and

(2) Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Deputy Chief Disciplinary Counsel, and salaried Deputy Disciplinary Counsel may provide *pro bono* services consistent with Rule 6.1 of the Hawai'i Rules of Professional Conduct, subject to restrictions imposed by the Board.
