

**THE JUDICIARY, STATE OF HAWAII  
NOTICE OF TO EXEMPTION  
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D**

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: Judiciary Administration Capital Improvements Program  
*Name of Requesting Division/Program*

*Pursuant to HRS § 103D-102 (b)(4) and HAR Chapter 3-120, The Judiciary requests to amend an exemption for the following:*

<p>1. Describe the goods, services or construction:</p> <p>Labor and materials to replace obsolete various pieces of A/C equipment (fan coil units-FCUs) serving Ali'iolani Hale. Work includes the removal and disposal of the old equipment that are to be replaced with new, upgraded equipment.</p>	
<p>2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider:</p> <p>Oahu Air Conditioning Service (OACS) / Senplex</p>	<p>3. Amount of Request:</p> <p>\$1,552,057.00</p>
<p>4. Term of Contract From: Contract Execution To: 06/30/2027</p>	<p>5. Prior Judiciary Procurement Exemption No. (if applicable): N/A</p>
<p>6. Explain in detail why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the Program/Division to procure by competitive means:</p> <p>Oahu Air Conditioning Service, Inc. (OAC) has a contract with First Circuit to service and maintain the AC systems serving Judiciary-operated buildings on O'ahu including Ali'iolani Hale. OAC is aware of the extreme challenges of maintaining operability of AC equipment that are far beyond the ASHRAE (American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-conditioning Engineers) Life Expectancy Standards. Okahara and Associates, a local mechanical engineering firm, studied the AC system in conjunction with an assessment of Ali'iolani Hale's indoor air quality (IAQ) and recommended replacement of all AC equipment. OAC subsequently recommended replacement of 4 fan coil units on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor as top priority as they are well beyond their expected useful life of 15 years. OAC keeps a regular staff member to service this equipment. Given that OAC is already under contract to service and maintain the AC system, it is not practicable to bid equipment replacement. It would likely create conflicts and finger-pointing to bring in another vendor to provide new equipment and service that equipment selectively and independently. The overall system must be integrated to function properly. This replacement of 4 fan coil units is expected to be the second phase of multiple phases of AC equipment replacement at Ali'iolani Hale.</p>	
<p>7. Explain in detail the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider:</p> <p>Oahu Air Conditioning Service (OAC) submitted a competitively sealed bid to win the award, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder of the current contract to service the AC equipment supporting Judiciary buildings on O'ahu including Ali'iolani Hale. Under their ongoing maintenance contract, they will continue to be obligated to keep Ali'iolani Hale's AC system running as a cohesive system with the newly acquired equipment.</p>	

8. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. (Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required).

\*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information).

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**All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the Division/Program. I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.**

/s/ Karen Takahashi

Department/Division/Program Head Signature

06/05/2026

Date

### For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only

Date Notice Posted: \_\_\_\_\_

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named in Item 8. Submit written objection to this NOTICE OF EXEMPTION within seven (7) calendar days, or as otherwise allowed, from the Date Notice Posted to:

Chief Procurement Officer – The Judiciary  
Financial Services Department  
Contracts & Purchasing Office  
1111 Alakea Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813---2807

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approved

Disapproved

No Action Required

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Chief Procurement Officer Signature

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Date