

### Areas of Expertise

- Labor Arbitration
- Real Estate
- General Corporate
- Public Advocacy Consulting

### Education

- J.D. (Law Review 1979-81), William S. Richardson School, University of Hawaii @ Manoa
- B.A., Economics (with Distinction), University of Hawaii @ Manoa

### Professional Associations

- Hawaii State Bar Association

### Admitted to Practice

- 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals
- U.S. District Court (Haw.)
- Hawaii State Courts

### Government Boards and Commissions

- 2011 and 2001 Reapportionment Commission for the City & County of Honolulu
- Honolulu Planning Commission (2006-2010)

### Community Public Service

- Pro-bono arbitrator, Court Annexed Arbitration Program (1987-present)
- Kahuku High School Assistant Varsity baseball coach (2011 and 2012)
- Member of Board of Directors, American Liver Foundation, Hawaii Chapter (2005-2007)
- Member of Board of Directors, Wai-Kahala Athletic Club (1998)
- Nuuanu Elementary School Advisory Board (1996-1998)
- Nuuanu Cardinals youth baseball coach (1995-1997)

### Overview

More than 34 years of leadership, management and legal experience serving as an arbitrator, advisor, advocate and counsel to private and governmental agencies. The ability to focus on key priorities, create and communicate a vision for success, and manage the implementation of key strategies to the desired outcome.

### Current Professional Workload

#### **Labor Arbitrator, Hawaii Labor Relations Board ■ May 2000 - present**

Currently serves as an arbitrator for grievances between Hawaii's public sector labor unions and various Hawaii governmental entities, including the State of Hawaii, the City and County of Honolulu and the County of Hawaii.

#### **Advocate and Advisor, HDR, Engineering, Inc. ■ August 2008 - present**

Currently serves as the Advocate/Advisor for HDR Engineering, Inc., a global engineering company with more than 8,000 professionals employed worldwide.

#### **Consultant and Advisor, Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP ■ February 2015 - present**

Currently services as a private consultant for business development for PwC, a global consulting company.

#### **Real Estate and Other Commercial Transactions ■ October 1981 - present**

Represent clients in transactions involving the acquisition of real property and/or business assets with an emphasis on the acquisition or sale of real property (lease or fee) for development.

#### **General Corporate Law ■ October 1981- present**

Represent clients in the structuring and documenting of business organizations, including work as general outside counsel for various corporate entities.

### Notable Past Represented Clientele

- **Paul Trousdale**, former owner of the International Market Place in Waikiki, to obtain special legislation in 1988 to develop a hotel/residential condominium/retail shopping complex in central Waikiki.
- **Special Deputy Liquidator for Investors Equity Life Insurance Company of Hawaii ("IELH")**, a Hawaii life insurer that is currently in liquidation. As the Special Deputy Liquidator from 2001 to 2012, oversaw the operations of IELH which held over \$22 million in liquid assets at the time of his departure as the Special Deputy Liquidator.
- **Hawaii Domestic Insurers Council ("HDIC")**, a conglomerate of Hawaii domestic life and property and casualty insurance companies. As its counsel from 1985 to 1991, HDIC successfully held off legal challenges from foreign insurance carriers against Hawaii's insurance premium tax laws which entitled Hawaii domestic insurers to lower premium taxes. The matter was eventually settled with the enactment of a new premium tax law which was successful negotiated among HDIC, foreign insurers and the State of Hawaii.
- **Daiei (USA), Inc.**, the majority owner of the joint venture of Daiei (USA), Inc. and Equitable Life Insurance Company in the acquisition of the Ala Moana Shopping Center in the mid-1980's.
- **West Beach Estates**, to obtain the state land use permits for the Ko O'lina Resort Project in 1985. Ko O'lina Resort is a 642-acre hotel/condominium/golf course/residential housing/commercial shopping center/marina project and is the largest resort project ever approved by the State Land Use Commission in Hawaii in a single, non-phased approval.
- **Duty Free Shoppers**, to obtain a special state statute to authorize the issuance of a monopolized-concession for duty free goods that are sold at or delivered through the Honolulu International Airport. The duty free revenue to the State of Hawaii from this concession was at that time the biggest source of revenue to the Airport Special Fund.

**Solo Practitioner, Kerry M. Komatsubara, Attorney-At-Law ■ 2006 - 2015**

**Partner Attorney, Furutani Sato and Komatsubara ■ 1985 - 2006**

**Associate Attorney, Fujiyama, Duffy, & Fujiyama ■ 1981 - 1985**

### References

Professional and personal references available upon request.