

GM 706

Jay Ishibashi nominee for the State of Hawaii Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects
[Responses to Questionnaire]

(1) Why do you wish to be a member of the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects?

Having served on numerous boards and commissions for the State of Hawaii – for me, it has always been part of my way of giving back to the community. The licensure boards with the State of Hawaii (including this one) help to provide a layer of protection to the consumer/public. I hope to bring as a contributing member to the Board a non-industry/public perspective to the responsibilities of the Board.

(2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects ?

The Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects facilitates the licensure of candidates in each of the disciplines listed in the title of the Board, thereby helping to protect Hawaii's people. Each of the disciplines is responsible for the licensing of candidates that come before the Board. In addition, the Board reviews cases of professional misconduct and takes appropriate action if necessary against a discipline professional. The Board members also review any legislation that may have an impact on the areas covered by this Board - commenting if necessary to ensure the intent of the legislation is in the best interest of the people of Hawaii.

(3) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

If confirmed as a member of the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects, this will be my fifth full/partial term as the public member on the Board. While not licensed in any of the areas covered by this Board, I have learned a great deal about each of the professions and their roles during my previous terms on the Board. As a public member on the Board, it is vital to listen, read and absorb all the information that comes before the Board to make informed decisions on the matters at hand. I hope to lend my experience from previous Boards to the current Board; and will continue to be an active and informed participant on the Board if confirmed.

(4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I hope to continue to be a contributing member to the Board by offering my input as a public member in Board actions to protect Hawaii's consumers.

(5) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

I believe I am hard-working, thoughtful, and communicative – all necessary qualities to be an active contributing member of the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

(6) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects member.

My experience as a current public member on the Board will hopefully allow me to share any historical references and perspectives that I may have acquired in my tenure on the Board.

(7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

As a public member on the Board I do not foresee any conflicts of interest while serving as a member of the Board. If a conflict were to arise on any action to be taken by the Board, I will recuse myself as I have done in the past on any discussion or voting on the matter(s).

**Testimony of the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and
Landscape Architects**

**Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Friday April 8, 2022
9:30 a.m.
Conference Room 229 and Videoconference**

**On the following measure:
G.M. 706, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, SURVEYORS,
AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAY ISHIBASHI,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2026**

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Sandra Matsushima and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects (Board). The Board supports the confirmation of Mr. Ishibashi's reappointment to the Board as a public member.

Mr. Ishibashi was appointed to the Board on an interim basis in October 2019, and is a devoted member of the Board. Since Mr. Ishibashi's appointment to the Board, he has attended 10 out of 11 meetings. He comes prepared for the meetings and his extensive administrative experience has enabled him to quickly understand the purpose of the Board and role as a public member. Mr. Ishibashi possesses the ability to focus on the issues and actively participates in discussions. He represents the public sector well and his desire to continue to serve as a public member is an asset to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Testimony for CPN on 4/8/2022 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kendall Hee	Individual	Support	In Person

Comments:

My name is Kendall Hee. I am a licensed professional Civil Engineer and Land Surveyor in the State of Hawaii. Thank you for allowing my testimony in favor of Jay Ishibashi as a public member of the Engineers, Architects, Surveyor and Landscape Architects board.

This board is very important to not only the professionals it governs, but the general public of Hawaii. Obviously, we need the professionals working to solve the problems of the public to maintain at least a minimum amount of technical knowledge to ensure proper design of infrastructure and facilities.

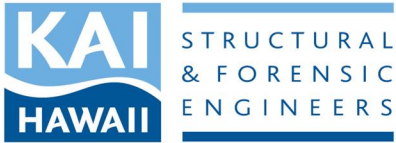
I have known Jay for close to 30 years and have worked with him on several projects. I have always found him to be reliable and of sound judgement.

I know he will be a great asset to the board and provide a sensible, reasoned approach to all the issues facing the board..

Should there be any questions please contact me at Kendall@esh-inc.com or call me at 808-591-8116 x216

Respectfully,

Kendall Hee



Ken Hayashida, P.E. | *President*
Michael Hunnemann, P.E. | *Vice President*

January 3, 2020

The Honorable Ronald Kouchi
President and Members of the Senate
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker
Thirty-First Legislature
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Baker:

Subject: GM 706 -Nomination of Jay Ishibashi-The Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects

Aloha, I strongly support the nomination of Mr. Ishibashi as he is an effective and creative leader who exhibits strong personal values. I have known him for over 25 years and confirm he is well qualified with his extensive experience in Government.

He is an active community member with high integrity. He will be an excellent Board member providing a diverse skill set and board experience. This will ensure that our State's professions are well qualified.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ken K. Hayashida'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Ken K. Hayashida, President
KAI Hawaii, Inc.