

## GM791 Benedict Lee

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

Primarily to continue my participation on the EASLA 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?**

Utmost to protect the Public/

**(3) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects, 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.**

- Over 40 years as a licensed practicing Landscape Architect  
- 4 year experience serving on the EASLA Board.

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

Assist increasing the number of Licensed Landscape Architects in Hawaii. There is an extreme need for more registration.

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

Experienced/ Motivated/ Professional.

**(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 initial appointment to the EASLA 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?**

Absolutely none.

**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  
9:30am  
Conference Room 229 and Videoconference**

**On the following measure:  
G.M. 791, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION  
TO THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, SURVEYORS,  
AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, BENEDICT LEE,  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2026**

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. Lee's reappointment to the Board as a licensed member.

Mr. Lee has been serving as a Board member since February 2016. He has been licensed as a landscape architect since October 7, 1985, and his license is current, active, and in good standing. Since Mr. Lee's initial appointment, he has attended 27 out of 30 meetings.

Mr. Lee has been a landscape architect for more than thirty years and the principal of his company, Brownlie & Lee, since its organization in 1988. He has been involved in a wide range of residential, commercial, and recreational projects in the public and private sectors, and is a licensed landscape architect in Hawaii, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. He is also a certified arborist.

Mr. Lee's experience as a landscape architect and his desire to contribute to the community will continue to be an asset to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

The Senate  
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

### **Testimony in Support of GM 791**

Chairperson Baker, Vice Chairperson Chang, and Members of the Committee:

I am pleased to submit this testimony letter **supporting** the nomination of Benedict Lee to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects (EASLA.)

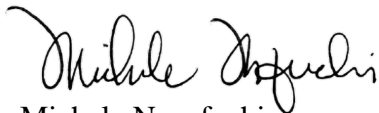
From May 2010 through December 2013, I was an employee of Brownlie & Lee, and had the opportunity to work closely with Benedict Lee. He is well versed in many aspects of the landscape architecture profession and continues to extend his knowledge by attending industry training sessions. His knowledge is a result of continuous project involvement in the private sector, City & County, State, and Federal levels.

Benedict Lee has demonstrated the success of recently completing high profile landscape architecture projects in Honolulu's urban core. He is capable of managing complex situations and arriving at sound solutions by combining over 37 years of professional practice with his certification in additional related fields such as: Arboriculture (tree management) and Sustainable Practices (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design.)

I am supporting GM 791, Benedict Lee's nomination to EASLA.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,



Michele Nagafuchi  
Registered Landscape Architect in State of Hawaii  
Member of American Society of Landscape Architects

5 April 2022

The Senate  
Committee on Commerce and Consumer  
State Capitol, Room 229

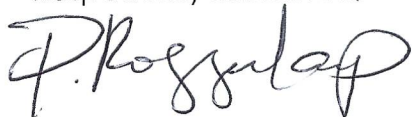
RE: SUPPORT FOR GM 791  
Benedict Lee Nomination  
Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects

Chairperson Baker and Committee Members:

It is with great pleasure offering my support for Benedict Lee second term on the EASLA Board. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Lee on a professional level for over seven years. His untiring commitment and contribution to Hawaii's design community are well noted. Ben has considerable experience in both the private and public sector arenas. His 40 year professional career has local, national and international exposure appropriately suited to Board membership.

I fully support GM 791 for nominee Benedict Lee.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit my testimony.  
Respectfully submitted,



Pamela Roggenkamp  
Landscape Architect  
American Society of Landscape Architects