

Ken C. Kawahara, P.E.
President

ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

President and Chief Executive Officer of the firm. Duties include principal project management, facilities planning, marketing, business development, strategic planning, monitoring of work effort and quality control. Prior to joining Akinaka & Associates, Ltd., Ken Kawahara served as the deputy director for the State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Commission on Water Resource Management to administer and implement, under the direction of the Commission, the State Water Code and all rules, and other directives by the Commission. His professional experience includes planning, design, contracting, construction, construction management, regulatory compliance and environmental quality monitoring. He has extensive experience in project management over a variety of projects including water resource management, master planned subdivisions, wastewater pretreatment, collection, treatment, disposal, recycled/reclaimed water and biosolids reclamation/reuse.

EDUCATION:

University of Hawaii at Manoa

B.S., Civil Engineering (1992)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2011 - Present	President
2010 - 2011	Vice-President
2007 - 2010	Deputy Director
1997 - 2007	Acting Regulatory Control Branch Chief
1996 - 1996	Construction Engineer
1994 - 1995	Construction Engineer
1993 - 1994	Environmental Engineer

Akinaka & Associates, Ltd.
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State of Hawaii, DLNR
City & County of Honolulu,
Dept. of Env. Services
Gentry Homes, Ltd.
R.M. Towill Corporation
M&E Pacific Inc.

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION:

State of Hawaii (1997)

Certificate No. 9148

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Council of Engineering
Companies

Board of Directors (2014 - 2021)
Secretary (2016 - 2017)
Treasurer (2017 - 2018)
President Elect (2018 - 2020)
Past President (2020 - 2021)

American Public Works Association
Hawaii Section

Secretary (2011 - 2012)
Treasurer (2012 - 2013)
Vice President (2013 - 2014)
President (2014 - 2015)

American Society of Civil Engineers

Vice President (1991 - 1992)
Member (1993 - Present)
Hospitality Chair (1995 - 1998)
Outreach Co-Chair (2003 - 2006)

American Water Works Association
Hawaii Section

Government Trustee (2007 - 2010)
Consultant Trustee (2017 - 2021)
Vice Chair (2020 - 2021)
Chair (2021 - 2022)
Past Chair (2022 - 2023)
Director (2023 - Present)

American Water Works Association

Member (1992 - Present)

Goodwill Contract Services Hawaii

Board Member (2020 - Present)
Treasurer (2021 - Present)

Hawaii Council of Engineering Societies

Member (2014 - 2017)
Secretary (2016)
Treasurer (2017)

Hawaii Leeward Planning Conference

Executive Committee
(2012 - Present)
Vice Chair (2013 - 2014)
Chair (2015 - 2017)



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Hawaii Water Environment Association

Member (1993 - Present)
Exhibits Committee Chair (1999)
Pretreatment Committee
Vice Chair (1999-2002)

Pacific Water Conference

Co-Chair (2019 - 2020)

Solid Waste Association of
North America

Member (2002 - 2008)

Water Environment Federation

Member (1993 - Present)

Western Regional Pollution
Prevention Network

Member (2002 - 2010)
Advisory Board representing Hawaii
(2002 - 2010)

HONORS, ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

'Ahahui Koa Anuenue

Board Member (2022 - Present)

Air Force Civilian Advisory Council

Member (2014 - Present)

City & County of Honolulu
Zoning Board of Appeals

Board Member (2013 - 2022)
Chair/Vice Chair (2015 - 2022)

Hawaii Council of Engineering Societies
Engineer of the Year

2020

'Iolani Alumni Association

Board Member (2007 - 2012)
Vice President (2001 - 2012)
President (2012)

'Iolani School

Board of Governors (2012)

Oahu Transit Services, Inc.

Board of Directors (2022 - Present)

Pacific Century Fellows Program

Alumni (2007)

University of Hawaii (UH)
Chi Epsilon Honor Society

54th Chapter Honor Member (2019)

UH College of Engineering
Dean's Council

Member (2016 - Present)

UH College of Engineering
Homecoming Committee

Member (2010 - Present)

UH College of Engineering
Annual Banquet Committee

Member (2012 - Present)

UH College of Engineering
Distinguished Alumni Award

2018

UH Engineering Alumni Association

Member (1992 - Present)
Board of Directors (2015 - Present)
Secretary (2019 - 2020)
Treasurer (2020 - 2021)
Vice President (2021 - 2022)
President (2022 - 2023)
Past President (2023 - Present)

UH Engineer's Council

Vice President (1991)
President (1992)

UH Search Advisory Committee
for College of Engineering Dean

Member (2016 - 2017)



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