



**Supreme Court | 'Aha Ho'okolokolo Ki'eki'e**

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ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE | LUNA KĀNĀWAI KI'EKI'E KŪIKAWĀ

**JUDICIARY COMM. NO. 23**

March 12, 2026

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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
Senate President  
Hawaii'i State Capitol, Room 409  
415 S. Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Chief Justice's Appointment Order No. 2026-1

Dear President Kouchi:

On February 11, 2026, the Judicial Selection Commission delivered to me a list of nominees to fill a new judicial position in the District Court of the First Circuit

Pursuant to article VI, section 3 of the Hawaii'i Constitution, I have this day appointed **Kirsha Kaulukane Milianani Durante** to fill this position in the District Court.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of Ms. Durante resume. Pursuant to Hawaii'i Revised Statutes § 604-2, if confirmed by the Senate, Ms. Durante's term of office would be for six years.

Sincerely,

SABRINA S. McKENNA  
Acting Chief Justice

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Enclosure: Resume of Kirsha Kaulukane Milianani Durante

cc (w/enclosure) (via email):

Governor Josh Green, M.D.

Senator Karl A. Rhoads, Chair, Senate Committee on Judiciary

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Florence T. Nakakuni, Chair, Judicial Selection Commission