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## TESTIMONY OF ROBERT TOYOFUKU IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF JEFF CRABTREE AS A JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT

## October 20, 2014

To: Chairman Clayton Hee and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor:

My name is Bob Toyofuku and I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Hawaii. I am testifying in strong support of Jeff Crabtree to be a Judge of the Circuit Court of the First Circuit, State of Hawaii.

I have known Jeff Crabtree for over twenty five years and I have had continuous contact with him throughout these past years and am familiar with his involvement in the civil justice system as a trial attorney.

I firmly believe that Mr. Crabtree will be an excellent judge. He has the experience, the dedication to the law and the right demeanor to be a good judge. He is objective, will listen carefully to points of view, and treats people fairly and with compassion.

He has always exhibited the highest degree of integrity and I feel that he has the respect of other attorneys to be a good judge. I have the utmost confidence in Mr. Crabtree because of his intellect, sense of fairness as well as his dedication to our system of justice.

I wholeheartedly support his nomination and urge his confirmation by this committee and the Hawaii State Senate. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.