

HAWAII WOMEN LAWYERS

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March Meeting

DATE: Friday, March 28, 1980
TIME: 12:00 - 1:15 (brown bag lunch)
PLACE: Bishop Trust Penthouse, 1000 Bishop St.
SPEAKER: James Koshiba, Chairman, Judicial
Selection Commission, State of Hawaii
TOPIC: How the Commission functions, how to identify
more women for consideration, and related
areas.

March meeting. As we all know, no women have yet been appointed by the Governor for judicial appointments through the recently constitutionally mandated judicial selection commission chaired by attorney James Koshiba. Have women been on the lists submitted to the Governor by the commission? If not, why not? Come to the next meeting to find out.

Women in Business. The Small Business Administration is conducting an all day seminar on March 28, 1980 (same day as our meeting) at the Ala Moana Hotel, Hibiscus Room, 8:00 - 4:30, \$3.00 w/o lunch and \$10.00 w/lunch. Call the College of Continuing Education for more information.

ERA Impact Project. The NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund and the Women's Law Project of Pennsylvania are collaborating on a special education and litigation project aimed at developing principles of sex equality within the structure of state law. As part of this ERA Impact Project an information clearinghouse has been established to compile both reported and unreported cases in each of the state ERA jurisdictions. To gather complete materials about state activities, including the unreported cases and administrative decisions, HWL has been asked to assist. Please send the names of cases not reported in official reporters including the name, address and telephone number of counsel in the case, citation's or docket numbers, the court and the status of the case to Judith I. Avner, NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund, 36 West 44th St. New York, New York 10036. The unreported cases and administrative decisions should address the state constitutional equal rights provision.

March 6 meeting on legislation affecting women. At the March meeting at the Lt. Gov.'s office attended by representatives from women's groups all legislation relating to women introduced this session were reviewed. Special reports were delivered on ERA compliance relating to the status of married women, sexual abuse, spousal abuse and displaced homemakers. Another meeting will take place the week following the close of this session of the legislature to discuss all the bills relating to women that passed and failed. Contact Sherry Broder if you are interested in attending. 536-3826.

HWL has been assisting the legislature when asked to do so on specific legal questions relating to women.

Conference on Asian Pacific Women. The conference will take place in April and the topic will be "upward mobility for Asian Pacific women." For details contact the Lt. Gov.'s office.

HWL Survey. The survey will definitely be mailed to you in April. It will include a stamp for easy return mailing. Look for it in the mail and please participate!

Congratulations to Bernice Littman of Cades, Schutte, Fleming and Wight and Angela Fong of Stubenberg, Shigemura, Roney and Lawhn on becoming partners in their firms. As far as we know, Bernice is the first and only women partner in any of the largest law firms.

Please let us know of developments in your career so we can share them with all members.