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March Monthly Meeting

DATE: - Friday, March 27, 1987

TIME: 12:00 Noon - 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Cades Schutte Fleming and Wright
10th Floor, Conference Room

TOPIC: 1986 Tax Reform Act

Maureen O'Shaughnessy, a financial consultant with Merrill Lynch will provide an overview of the 1986 Tax Reform Act. Michelle Tucker, an attorney and C.P.A. will speak on the legal aspects of new tax laws under the Tax Reform Act. Hope you can all attend this meeting on this timely subject.

Recap of February Monthly Meeting

Shepard Ginandes, M.D., a psychiatrist at the Honolulu Medical Group, presented a very interesting and informative seminar on the handling of post-traumatic stress and adjustment disorder claims in litigation. Dr. Ginandes provided helpful pointers in dealing with such claims.

Mark Your Calendars

HWL has scheduled its 1987 monthly meetings on the last Friday of each month. The following are the topics (may be subject to change):

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| April 24, 1987 | Women's Careers In Government Service |
| May 29, 1987 | Roundtable with Hawaii Appellate Judges: Pointers For Appellate Advocacy and Roles/Experiences as Appellate Judges |
| June 26, 1987 | Discussion of the Issues and Ramifications of the Judy Shibuya case |
| July 31, 1987 | How to do an arbitration for a personal injury case under \$150,000. |
| August 28, 1987 | Women Business Leaders in Hawaii |
| September 25, 1987 | Roundtable with government guest speaker (U.S. Representative Pat Saiki) |
| October 24, 1987 | Communications Seminar |
| November 20, 1987 | Maternity Leave Policy Update |
| December 18, 1987 | Gender bias in the judicial system |

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding monthly meetings, please contact Lorraine Akiba at 521-9200.

Legal Rights Handbook Assistance Needed

Elizabeth Jubin Fujiwara, who heads the committee to research, write and publish "A Guide to Women's Legal Rights in Hawaii," requests help in the drafting of the following subject areas:

EDUCATION

- Title IX
- Public Health Services Act

EMPLOYMENT

- Equal Pay Act of 1963
- Discrimination by Government Contractors

DOMESTIC RELATIONS

- Separation Agreements
- Illegitimate Children/Uniform Parentage Act

WOMEN'S CONTROL OVER THEIR OWN BODIES

- Hospital Records
- Sterilization Abuse

LEGAL PROCESS

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Arbitration
- Conciliation

Sheila Sue
524-4854

- Brad Coates

The committee also needs assistance from firms willing to volunteer word processing. Also, additional help is needed for editing the handbook. Anyone willing and able to provide assistance should contact Ms. Fujiwara.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HWL is ABA/YLD Affiliate

HWL is officially an affiliate of the Young Lawyers Division of the American Bar Association. As an affiliate, HWL will be able to benefit from the ABA's Affiliate Outreach Program in receiving funding and ideas to institute new projects to benefit the legal community and the public.

YWCA Membership Drive

The YWCA of Oahu is having its first Membership Drive in 10 years. The overall goal is to raise \$55,000 and to add 2,000 members. The drive began February 23, 1987 and continues through April 25, 1987. A fundamental objective of the YWCA is the development of self-esteem, self-reliance and leadership qualities in women through a broad spectrum of programs addressed to the intellectual and physical well-being of those women and their families. Please help! You can become a sustaining member by contributing more than \$20. A contribution of \$20 entitles you to participate in any of the Y events or programs as an active member. The amount of the contribution which exceeds \$20 is tax deductible. Please send your contributions to YWCA of Oahu, P.O. Box 337, Honolulu, Hawaii 96809. For more information, contact Terry Yoshinaga-Kano, Beatrice Dawson, Cora Avinante-Tanaka, Christine Kurashige, Calleen Ching or Camille Chun-Hoon who serve on the membership drive committee.

Matsuda Speaks on Sexual Harrassment

A special thank you to Mari Matsuda, Associate Professor at the William S. Richardson School of Law, for speaking on the subject of sexual harrassment on March 10, 1987 at the Amfac Center Plaza Gallery. The forum was sponsored by The Foundation for Hawaii Women's History and the League of American Penwomen - Honolulu Branch, as part of Women's History Week.

Attorney Position Available

A position with the law firm of Robert Marks in Hilo is available. Mr. Marks concentrates in the area of plaintiffs' personal injury litigation. Salary is negotiable and commensurate with experience although Mr. Marks is willing to provide training. Please send your resume to Robert Marks, Esq., 688 Kinoole St., Suite 105 B, Hilo, Hawaii 96720, telephone 935-8988.

Disaster Legal Services Committee

The Federal Emergency Management Agency appointed Riki May Amano as the Region Nine Director of the Disaster Legal Services Committee. Dona Hanaike is the Hawaii State Director and Emma Matsunaga serves as her alternate. When a natural disaster occurs, a service center will provide assistance for loans, housing and legal help for victims encountering problems with their properties, insurance, etc.

Legislative Hotline

The Hawaii Women's Consortium, of which HWL is a member, has established a legislative hotline. Callers can obtain information regarding legislative hearings on various bills and whether testimony is requested. Callers may also leave information if desired. Anyone interested may call 735-8124.

Personals

Congratulations to Leslie A. Hayashi, HWL's Past President and husband Alan Van Etten on the arrival of their son, Justin Ken, who made an early appearance on February 21, 1987. Justin weighed in at 8 pounds 12 ounces and measured 22 inches in length. Best wishes to all of you.

HWL congratulates Bambi Weil on her appointment as a Judge of the District Court of the First Circuit and wishes her much success in her new career.

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If you have any announcements you wish to submit for the monthly newsletter, please contact Laurie E. Furuya at 526-9744, Law Office of Dudley G. Akama, 806 Bishop Trust Building, 1000 Bishop Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 by the 3rd of every month.

HWL MEMBERSHIP

If you have not done so already, please renew your membership. Dues are \$25, \$15 (Out of State Members), \$15 (New Admittees), \$5 (Students). Please remit with the following form to HWL, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805:

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