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Hawaii Women Lawyers

FAMILY LEAVE COMMITTEE: 1989 AGENDA

By Ann V. Burns

In response to a growing number of members' requests for information and support concerning parental leave and child care options, Hawaii Women Lawyers ("HWL") established its Family Leave Committee. While the 1989 Legislature is in session, HWL anticipates that the Family Leave Committee, in conjunction with HWL's Legislative Committee, will review bills related to parental leave and child care, and actively support those bills which will most benefit working women.

The Family Leave Committee, with the assistance of the HSBA Young Lawyers Division, plans to update its Maternity/Paternity Leave Survey of local firms and government organizations during early 1989, and report the survey results later in the year.

One of the most pressing family leave issues for HWL members is the negotiation of maternity leave. Often, a new mother's need to spend time caring for her infant is forced to give way to the economic demands of law practice and our high cost of living. The Family Leave Committee will address this problem by drafting a guide to the negotiation of an adequate maternity leave.

As an affiliate of the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division, HWL has been asked to contribute to the work of the ABA Young Lawyers Career Issues Committee. During the coming year, the Family Leave Committee looks forward to expanding its focus to the national level through its contacts with the ABA Career Issues Committee.

The Family Leave Committee welcomes your participation in any of these projects. Volunteers, please contact Rhonda Griswold at 521-9200, for more information.

Hawaii Lawyers Care

By Leslie A. Hayashi

More than 53,000 cases of AIDS have been diagnosed in the United States since 1981 and the Public Health Service estimates that 1.5 million people in the United States are currently infected with the AIDS virus.

HLC is assisting in starting up a new project to provide legal assistance to those with AIDS. Although the project is still in its planning stages, the goal is to organize a referral panel to provide legal advice and assistance in a variety of areas. Currently there are a dozen attorneys who participate in an informal legal clinic set up by the Life Foundation. We would like to add to this existing pool and to expand the legal services offered.

HLC has already begun collecting information on available resources which include an AIDS Practice Manual published jointly by the National Gay Rights Advocates and the National Lawyers Guild AIDS Network. In addition, the ABA has begun an AIDS Coordination Project and is gathering information on other projects around the country. Recently the San Francisco Bar Association hosted a national conference for bar-sponsored AIDS and Hospice programs to discuss the legal needs of the terminally ill.

The typical legal needs of AIDS patients are in the area of medical treatment, obtaining public benefits, preparation of wills and trusts, insurance, and employment and housing discrimination. The clients have expressed a desire for complete anonymity. There may also be a need to make house or hospital calls. Training, tentatively scheduled for January, will be provided to explain the special needs of the AIDS patients as well as address any substantive areas. It is anticipated that the primary legal needs will be for wills, trusts and powers of attorneys. In the event that additional needs are identified which require specialization, additional volunteers will be recruited.

The project will be handled in conjunction with the ACLU, Hawaii Association of Legal Assistants (HALA), the Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Hospice and the Life Foundation.

If you are interested in participating in this project, please send us your name, address and telephone number and indicate your willingness to provide services in one or more at the following areas:

- Credit Collection & Bankruptcy
- Employment
- Family Law
- Health Care
- Housing
- Insurance
- Public Benefits
- Wills & trusts
- Other

Please send to Hawaii Lawyers Care, 550 Halekauwila Street, Room 208, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or leave in HLC's court jacket.

Additional resources concerning AIDS are as follows:

AIDS Antibody Counseling & Testing Clinic
State Department of Health
Communicable Disease Division
3627 Kilauea Avenue
Room 305
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
735-5302

Bodies Positive, a support group, is also available through the State Department of Health.

AIDS Antibody Testing
Honolulu Medical Group
550 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
527-2211

AIDS Hotline
U.S. Public Health Service
800-342-7514
(4 a.m. to noon, Hawaii time)

AIDS Hotline Hawaii
Waikiki Health Center
277 Ohua Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815
922-1313

Tel Med also has a tape on AIDS.

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