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November Meeting: Meet Russian Attorney Larisa Rasskazova

Our November 29 membership meeting will host Larisa Rasskazova, a Russian attorney enjoying a six-month legal internship in Hawaii. She will discuss issues regarding the Russian legal system, civil and family court practice, and gender issues in the Soviet Union. Ms. Rasskazova is the subject of a recent Star-Bulletin article, which mentioned her interests in international law, joint ventures, and jury trials. Please join us for this "Brown Bag" luncheon on Monday, November 27, 1989, at noon at the 10th Floor conference room of Cades Schutte Fleming and Wright, 1000 Bishop Street.

Halloween Celebration

Ellen Carson invites all HWL members (and spooky creatures/keikis of your choice) to attend a costume party and Halloween celebration on October 28, from sunset to midnight, at 47-391 Lulani Street, Kaneohe. Please R.S.V.P. by October 26 at 524-1212 (days) or 239-4602 (evenings).

Recap: Judicial Selection Seminar

HWL extends thanks to former Judicial Selection Commissioner Momi Cazimero and Judges Leslie Hayashi, Linda Luke and Bambi Weil, who provided us with excellent advice and insight

into the selection process and how to increase opportunities for women wishing to serve on the bench. We are still soliciting names of qualified women who are interested in allowing HWL to submit their names as potential applicants for future judicial vacancies. Call Cori Lau at 536-6922 for further information, to submit your own name, or with suggestions of qualified candidates.

Recap of Annual Conference for Women Professionals

The October 14 Conference for Women Professionals drew together women "making the difference" in accounting, banking, securities, law, engineering, and many other professions. Seminars addressed "The Glass Ceiling" and "The Mommy Track," where women continue to experience stereotyping and conflicting demands in their professional careers, as well as networking, getting appointed to public and non-profit boards, Japanese and American relations, and getting noticed in our career efforts. Dr. Ann Die, Dean of Newcomb College at Tulane University, gave an excellent keynote address concerning the rapidly advancing numbers of women entering previously male professions, and the continuing difficulties of women reaching comparable levels of pay, reputation, and esteem as their male counterparts.

Country Club Discrimination

HWL has filed complaints with state and municipal officials concerning sex discrimination by Oahu Country Club, Waialae Country Club, Mid-Pacific Country Club and the Pacific Club. The Complaints allege violations of the Public Accommodations Act (H.R.S. § 489-3); the Covenants of Non-Discrimination requisite to the Country Clubs' golf course tax assessments (Honolulu City Ordinances § 8-7.5); and the "Club licenses" restrictions for serving liquor only to club members and guests enjoying the privileges of membership (H.R.S. § 281-31 (f)).

HWL members and their firms, agencies, or companies are urged to inform these clubs that you protest their discriminatory practices, and will not be holding or attending any functions at the clubs, or reimbursing any expenses incurred at the clubs, until all discrimination is ended. Anyone interested in assisting in this effort please attend a Country Club Discrimination meeting on Friday, November 3, at noon, at 1001 Bishop Street, Pacific Tower, Suite 1300. Please R.S.V.P. with Ellen Carson at 524-1212.

Nominations Sought for HWL Awards

HWL is seeking nominations for its Outstanding Woman Lawyer for the Year and Distinguished Service Awards which will be presented at the annual installation luncheon in January 1990. If you would like to recommend someone for these Awards, please send your nomination to the HWL Awards Committee, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805

Nominations Sought for HWL Officers/Directors

HWL is seeking nominations for its slate of officers and directors for 1990. The HWL Board is a fun, exciting group of people seeking to improve our community and profession. Being an officer or director requires attendance at monthly board meetings and commitment to HWL's activities and goals. If you are interested in serving on the HWL Board, or would like to nominate someone to serve as an officer or director of HWL, please write the HWL Nominations Committee, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805.

HWL Pro-Choice Meeting

HWL has an active agenda for protecting reproductive rights in the legislature and public arena. If you are interested in assisting in these activities, come to a pro-choice committee meeting on Thursday, November 9, at noon at 1001 Bishop Street, Pacific Tower, 13th Floor. Please RSVP with Ellen Carson at 524-1212.

Announcements

Personals

Congratulations to Prof. Mari Matsuda, who is spending the 1989-1990 academic year as visiting professor of law at Stanford Law School. Mari's new address is Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA 94305.

HWL member Sherry Broder and U.H. Law Prof. Jon Van Dyke were featured in the October 1989 ABA Journal, for their outstanding work on behalf of Filipinos asserting human rights claims for torture by the government of the former Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos recently.

Job Positions

HWL needs an immediate legal intern or recent graduate to do citation checking for its upcoming Legal Rights Handbook for Women in Hawaii. Please call Ellen Carson at 524-1212 for details.

Events of Interest

Civil Rights and the Supreme Court: 1989-1990

ACLU and HICLE are co-hosting a "Breakfast Club" Panel presentation on Civil Rights and the U.S. Supreme Court: 1989-1990 decisions and pending cases involving abortion/right to die, discrimination, first amendment rights, criminal rights, and civil rights practice/section 1983 litigation. The panelists are Paul Alston, Ellen Godbey Carson, Mark S. Davis, Stanley E. Levin, and Michael R. Levine, with moderator Roger W. Fonseca. The meeting is Tuesday, October 31, 1989, 7:30 am to 9:30 am, Plaza Club, 20th Floor. Charge: \$10 (includes continental breakfast, program, and materials). For further information, call Sandra Pavia or Coralie Chun Matayoshi at 948-6551.

Professional Women's Network Luncheon

The Professional Women's Network hosts monthly "networking" luncheons at the Hale Koa Hotel in Fort DeRussy Hall, which are typically attended by over 100 businesswomen and have a special speaker on a business issue of common interest. If you would like to join the Professional Women's Network, or attend their next luncheon (November 20, 1989, 11:30 to 1:30, cost - \$15.00), please call 533-4800 by November 17, 1989.

Native Hawaiian Lands Lecture

Alan Murakami, staff attorney for the Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation, and Senator Mike Crozier, Chair, Housing and Hawaiian Programs, are speaking on Native Hawaiian Lands issues on Wednesday, October 25, 1989, at 7:00 p.m., at the Honolulu Friends Meeting House, 2426 O'ahu Avenue. Call 988-6266 for details.

Real Estate Practice Seminar

Real Estate Practice will be the topic of a seminar by members of the Real Estate Division, HSB, at a Lawyer Kokua Program brown bag luncheon on November 1, 1989, at noon at the Intermediate Court of Appeals, 3rd Floor, Old Federal Building, 335 Merchant Street. All interested persons are invited.

HWL MEMBERSHIP

If you have not done so already, please renew your membership dues by sending this form to HWL, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805. Dues are as follows:

Regular members \$25 Out-of-state members \$15 Student members \$5
New admittees (within 1 year of Hawaii admission) \$1

HWL President's Circle: \$100 \$500 \$1000 (circle one)

Name _____ Phone (day) _____ (night) _____

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Please indicate if you are interested in information about serving on the HWL Board or Committees

Please note any topics or projects in which you are interested

Moved? Name change? Receiving duplicates? Please send old mailing label with corrections to HWL, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805. If you have any announcements you wish to submit for the monthly newsletter, please call Ellen Godbey Carson at 524-1212 or send a copy to HWL by the end of every month.

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