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Hawaii Women Lawyers

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1990 HWL AWARDS

At its January 25, 1990, Annual Meeting and Award Celebration, HWL conferred awards on the following four women:

Outstanding Woman Lawyer (Co-Awardees)

Joyce Neeley was honored for her continuing leadership on reproductive rights issues, fighting discrimination in Hawaii's private clubs, helping organize the Domestic Violence Legal Hotline, and her activities as President of the Hawaii Women Lawyers' Foundation. Ms. Neeley is a partner with the law firm of Peterson, Neeley, Gravelle & Anderson-Metcalf.

Leslie Hayashi was honored for her leadership on the HWL's Guide to Women's Legal Rights in Hawaii (*Our Rights, Our Lives*) work on the Judiciary's Gender Bias Committee, overseeing the Domestic Violence Legal Hotline, and her activities as president of HSBA/Young Lawyers' Division. Ms. Hayashi is a per diem judge in the Honolulu District Court.

Distinguished Service Award

Sen. Mary George was honored for her unwavering commitment to women's reproductive rights, her support for the Equal Rights Amendment, and her exemplary service, which has provided a role model for women interested in public service.

President's Award

Susan Ekimoto Jaworowski was honored for her effective advocacy and public education for HWL's projects, efforts on obtaining grants and state/national recognition of HWL's projects, and years of work in accomplishing HWL's goals. Ms. Jaworowski is employed at the Legislative Research Bureau.

Thank you to the many friends and supporters who joined us for this annual celebration of awards

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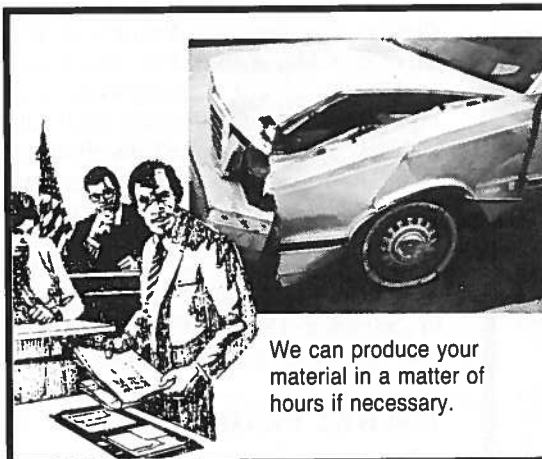
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and outstanding women. We look forward to seeing you again at next year's annual celebration.

HWL WOMEN'S LEGAL RIGHTS HANDBOOK

HWL is proud to announce that *Our Rights, Our Lives: A Guide to Women's Legal Rights in Hawaii*, is off the presses! The 186-page book is published by the Hawaii Women lawyers and has over 50 chapters of legal topics affecting women, including employment discrimination, sexual harassment, reproductive rights, taxes, welfare and Social Security, military, spousal and child abuse, divorce, child custody, credit, insurance, and education. The book is the product of years of research effort by dozens of volunteer attorneys, and has been funded by the Hawaii Bar Foundation, The Hawaii Women Lawyers' Foundation, the American Bar Association, and other generous donors. Many thanks to these contributors, and especially to our editors, Elizabeth Jubin Fujiwara, Leslie Hayashi, and Jean Creadick.

You may obtain a free copy of *Our Rights, Our Lives* from the Commission on the Status of Women, at 335 Merchant St., Room 253. The book is FREE, is not copyrighted, and may be copied for friends and colleagues. This is a limited distribution of 5,000 books for organizations and persons who serve as resources on women's legal rights. Since there are a limited number of these books available, please call the Commission in advance (548-4199) to confirm that copies are still available.

1990 HWL PROJECTS

We invite your participation in, and support for, HWL's 1990 projects:

Domestic Violence Legal Hotline — provide legal advice, safe options, and referrals for victims of domestic violence.

Women's Legal Rights Handbook — distribute and publicize this valuable reference guide.

Family Leave Project — publish brochure on negotiating a successful family leave policy.

Gender Bias — develop programs to respond to gender bias problems in Hawaii.

Mentor Program — build relationships between young lawyers, law students, and experienced attorneys.

Women's Director — create a marketing brochure for appointment of talented women to public and private boards, commissions, etc.

Legislative Committee — monitor and testify on bills of interest to women.

Judicial Selection/Career Opportunities — support expanded opportunities for women in judiciary, elected office, and other careers.

Reproductive Rights — provide public education and support of women's right of choice in reproductive matters.

Speaker's Bureau — provide speakers to community groups, seminars and colleges on legal issues.

Women's Biography Project — publish a biography of Hawaii's early women lawyers.

If you are able to assist in any of these programs, please call Ellen Carson at 524-1212.

1990 HWL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

HWL has installed its new Officers and Directors for 1990. They are: Ellen Godbey Carson, President; Linnel Nishioka, Vice President; Sheryl Nicholson, secretary; Michelle Tucker, Treasurer; and Directors Ramona Hussey, Phyllis Hironaka, Sharon Takeuchi, Sandra Takahata, and Beverly Wee.

Criminal Justice Corner

The Hawaii Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (HACDL) recently elected its officers for calendar year 1990. Elected as president of HACDL was Michael R. Levine, the federal public defender. Other officers elected include the following: Vice president, Michael A. Weight; secretary, Samuel P. King, Jr.; and treasurer, Paul J. Durbin.

Directors for HACDL for 1990 include Susan Barr, David Bettencourt, Lani Rae Garcia, Ignacio R. Garcia, Adrienne S. King and Earle A. Partington.