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July Monthly Seminar: Effective Voice and Speaking Skills

Date: July 26, 1991

Time: 12:00 noon to 1:00

Place: Cades Schutte Fleming & Wright

1000 Bishop Street

15th Floor, Conference Room No. 1

We are paid to talk — in court, in negotiations, in client meetings. Our effectiveness can be enhanced by using proper speech and voice techniques. Speech and voice trainers Mary Dizon and Jan Hanley Taketa will present a forty-minute program designed for attorneys to provide an overview of useful skills. Topics will include:

- finding your natural voice
- developing vocal variety
- avoiding annoying mannerisms
- preparing oral presentations
- developing speaking confidence
- eliminating vocal fatigue
- achieving speaking excellence
- proper breathing techniques

The final fifteen minutes will be used for questions. So bring your questions along with your lunch and join us for this useful topic.

THWLF Fundaiser

The Hawaii Women Lawyers Foundation will be hosting a dinner fundraiser on Friday, September 20. The fundraiser, entitled "A Place in the Future: Three Mayors Predict," will feature Mayors Jo Ann Yukimura, Linda Crockett Lingle, and Lorraine Inouye. Honorary co-chairs of the event are William S. Richardson and Dolly Ching.

The event will be held at the Hawaii Prince Hotel, and invitations will be sent to all HWL members at the end of August. The program will be unusual and exciting: mark the date on your calendar now!

Judicial Opportunities

A. Announcements from the Judicial Selection Commission

The Judicial Selection Commission has announced openings for two First Circuit Court judicial positions and one vacancy for a Honolulu District Court judicial position. The First Circuit Court

vacancies stem from the retirement of Judge Ronald Greig and the legislative appropriation of funds for a new First Circuit Court judgeship. The Honolulu District Court vacancy arose from the confirmation of former District Court Judge Herbert Shimabukuro as a First Circuit Court Judge.

Petitions for retention have been submitted by District Family Court Judges Frances Q.F. Wong and Michael Town. The commission requests that comments and information from interested persons on petitions and vacancies be submitted in writing. All communications are kept confidential. The commission's mailing address is P.O. Box 2560, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96804 and its office is located on the 11th Floor, 1111 Alakea Street. Its phone number is 545-5960. The chair of the commission is C. Michael Hare. The deadline to submit interested names on these vacancies and/or comments regarding retention is July 22, 1991.

Section 3, Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii provides that each justice and judge shall petition the commission to be retained in office or shall inform the commission of an intention to retire at least six months before the expiration of their term. This provision will apply over the next twelve months to two Supreme Court justices (Justice Padgett and Hayashi), the three judges of the Intermediate Court of Appeals, one First Circuit Court judge (Judge Spencer), and District or Family Court Judges Kanemitsu, Shigezawa, Dannenberg, Nakea, Lance, Lewis, Florendo, Titcomb, and Luke.

Since the United States Supreme Court has recently announced its decision upholding the constitutionality of a state's right to impose a seventy-year age limit for its judges, the commission has announced a judicial opening on the Intermediate Appellate Court with the retirement of Judge Harry Tanaka. The deadline to submit an application is August 9, 1991.

The Hawaii Women Lawyers offers its support and encouragement to those interested in the upcoming judicial vacancies. For additional information or assistance, contact Beverly Wee at 541-2850 or Rhonda Nishimura at 537-6119.

B. U.S. Magistrate Position

The term of U.S. Magistrate Bert Tokairin will expire on January 8, 1991. For those interested in this position, resumes are to be submitted through the Clerk of the United States District Court and must be received no later than July 31, 1991. The resume should be addressed to The Merit Selection Panel of the United States Magistrates, United States District Court, P.O. Box 50129, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96850.

The term of office is eight years, and the salary is \$115,092.

Vacancy Position in the Office of Counsel Navy Public Works Center Pearl Harbor, HI 96860-5470

There is a vacancy for an attorney in the Office of Counsel for the Navy Public Works Center at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii which is part of the Office of General Counsel for the Department of the Navy. This is a three attorney office which provides legal advice principally in the areas of Environmental Law and Federal Procurement. This position may be filled at an entry level. Therefore, no particular type of experience is required, though preference will be given to applicants with training or experience in the environmental field and salary will be commensurate with that experience. (Salary includes a cost of living adjustment which is exempt from federal income tax.) This position will provide an excellent opportunity to gain specialized experience in environmental law and

federal contracting. Applicants will need to submit an SF 171 and three writing samples (resumes are, of course, also welcome) to Counsel, Navy Public Works Center, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii 96860-5470. Contact Abigail Ogawa (Counsel) at 471-4535 for further information.

Associate Position Available

Seeking individuals for litigation, real estate and corporate positions; experience preferred. Send resume and short writing sample (no calls) to: Office Manager, Foley Maehara Judge Nip & Chang, 737 Bishop Street, Suite 2700, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813.

Maintaining Support for HWL - Dues Reminder!

Hawaii Women Lawyers needs your continued support. Besides the monthly newsletter, HWL provides monthly educational seminars, promotes the appointment of women onto boards and commissions through various HWL committees, promotes community involvement, and facilitates cohesiveness among the growing number of women lawyers in Hawaii. HWL encourages each and every one of its members to maintain their support for HWL and to promote membership in HWL as well. Keep your membership current by returning the completed form on the reverse side along with your yearly dues. **NOTE THAT DUES RUN FROM JULY 1 TO JUNE 30 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR — SO IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO ALREADY, NOW IS THE TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP.**

Family Leave Brochure is Honored by YLD/ABA

The Young Lawyers Division of the American Bar Association has honored HWL's Family Leave Brochure project by selecting it to be presented at the annual meeting of the YLD/ABA. Congratulations to Rhonda Griswold, Bev Wee and the Family Leave Committee!

RUST v. SULLIVAN Action Alert!

Within the next 30-45 days, the Supreme Court's ruling in Rust v. Sullivan becomes effective. That ruling prohibits doctors and clinics from advising women about abortion. Nearly 5 million women (mostly poor) who depend on the services of 4,000 family planning clinics will be deprived of information about abortion when faced with an unsafe or unwanted pregnancy.

Please contact Hawaii's representatives and urge them to continue to back legislation that will overturn the gag rules with enough support to override a threatened veto by President Bush.

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, Prince Kuhio Federal Bldg., 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 7325, Honolulu, HI 96850; Phone: 541-2542.

Sen. Daniel K. Akaka, Prince Kuhio Federal Bldg., 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 3104, Honolulu, HI 96850; Phone: 541-2534.

Rep. Patsy T. Mink, Prince Kuhio Federal Bldg., 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 5104, Honolulu, HI 96850; Phone: 541-1986.

Rep. Neil Abercrombie, Prince Kuhio Federal Bldg., 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 4104, Honolulu, HI 96850; Phone: 541-2570.

President George Bush, White House, Washington, DC 20000-336.

HWL MEMBERSHIP

HWL invites you to become a member, or to renew your membership dues, if you have not already done so. (Dues run from July 1 to June 30 of the following year.) Please send the following form to HWL, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805. Dues are as follows:

Regular members \$30 Out-of-state members \$20 Student members \$10
New admittees (within 1 year of Hawaii admission) \$20

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

Name _____ Phone (day) _____ (night) _____

Mailing Address _____

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 would be interested in assisting

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 Susan Arinaga at 543-4791, Rhonda Nishimura at 537-6119, or Kathy Young at 524-4880, or send a copy to HWL by the end of every month.

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