

**American Judicature Society**  
a Hawaii nonprofit corporation

**STANDING COMMITTEES 2018**

Title	Chair/Co-Chairs/ Vice Chair	Members	Committee Objectives and Responsibilities
<b>BUDGET AND FINANCE</b>	Russell Lau Ivan Lui-Kwan	Brandon Kimura Larry Okinaga Mark Rossi Chris Wentzlaff  <u>Ex Officio:</u> Tim Johns	Administering matters relating to the budget and finances for the activities of AJS.
<b>CIVIL JUSTICE (INCLUDING FAMILY COURT, ADR)</b>	Jeff Crabtree Rai Saint Chu	Meredith Burns Gary Chang Richard Clifton Na'u Kamalii Jim Kawachika Landon Murata Natasha Shaw Curtis Sheerwod	Reviewing, monitoring, and, if applicable, making recommendations relating to matters affecting our civil justice system in Hawaii. Such matters may include a timely review of matters affecting access to courts; administrative law forums; family court forums; and alternative dispute resolution (issues including mediation rules).

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COMMUNICATIONS	Colleen Hirai Ivan Lui-Kwan	Neal Kanda Arkie Koehl Colin Miwa Dean Ochiai Barbara Tanabe  Staff: Daniel Padilla	Enhancing the newly created website (perhaps through a subcommittee); working with the Membership Committee on improving communications within and among the members and affected constituencies; publishing and distributing of a quarterly newsletter of appropriate matters relating to developments, activities, and accomplishments of AJS. The committee will also provide notices of meeting applicable to the membership, including, but not limited to, notice of the annual meetings of AJS.
CRIMINAL JUSTICE	Shirley Kawamura Jack Tonaki	Steve S. Alm Mark Bennett Arkie Koehl Nanci Kriedman Landon Murata	Reviewing, monitoring, and, if applicable, making recommendations relating to matters affecting the administration of our criminal justice system in Hawaii. Specific projects could include access to justice, the creation and review of a specialized court, the relevance of cultural differences of minorities and their impact on the courts alternative sentencing, and probation guidelines.
JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION	Lisa Ginoza Ted Pettit	Meredith Burns Duane Fisher David Louie Rodney Maile Randy Perreira Linnea Schuster Pat Mau-Shimizu	Reviewing, monitoring and, if applicable, making recommendations relating to court structures and administrative forums, organization, and operations and relationships with other organizations (whether governmental, community or otherwise), and the public. The committee shall continue to be guided by the Final Report (including its recommendations) of the AJS Special Committee on the Public Knowledge, Understanding and Confidence in the Courts.

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<b>JUDICIAL SELECTION, RETENTION AND ACCOUNTABILITY</b>	Tim Johns Colin Miwa	Jan Boivin Jocelyn Chong Clare Connors Lea Crandall Darolyn Lendio Mallory Martin  <u>Mainland Ex-Officio:</u> Bob Kaufman (NY) Paul Titus (PA) (Former Chair of AJS)  <u>Special Advisor on Judicial Conduct and Ethics:</u> Gerald Sekiya	Reviewing, monitoring, and, if appropriate, making recommendations on matters relating to issues relating to merit selection generally, and particularly the process and procedures affecting the selection and retention of Hawaii judges, both state and federal. These matters include, but are not limited to, the Judicial Selection Commission, its Constitutional mandate, the Rules of the Commission and its work. In addition, the committee shall begin the review of selection systems in other states (committee members may start to include members from other states). Issues relating to judicial ethics and the Judicial Conduct Commission may also be addressed.
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	Lea Crandall Donavan Kealoha	Colleen Hirai Landon Murata Barbara Richardson Jodi Lei Kimura Yi	Developing membership policies, membership dues structures, activities among new and existing supporting members, and encouraging, and enlisting new members from Hawaii and national communities -- whether judges, lawyers, or community members interested in improving the administration of justice.

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<b>PROGRAMS</b>	Vickie Marks	Kimberly Pafundi Bob Toyofuku Sylvia Yuen  <u>Mainland Ex-Officio:</u> Judy Chirlin (CA) (Former Chair of AJS) Cara Lee Neville (MN) (Former Secretary of the American Bar Association and former member of AJS board)	Reviewing, developing, and overseeing programs that may be offered by AJS. The recent (October 2017) "meet and greet" function featuring three (3) Ninth Circuit judges could be expanded. The committee is specifically tasked with the planning of the annual membership meeting.
<b>SIDEBAR</b>	Cal Chipchase Colin Miwa Paula Nakayama Carrie Okinaga	Dean Ochiai	Planning, promoting, and organizing the annual Sidebar Program.

**OTHER COMMITTEES 2018**

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<p align="center"><b>ADMINISTRATION/ JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE</b></p>	<p>Doug Chin Kate Leonard</p>	<p>Bill Atwater Bert Ayabe Lisa Bail Jocelyn Ching Cal Chipchase Matt Matsunaga Fritz Rohlfing Linnea Schuster</p>	<p>The committee has substantially achieved most of its original goals and shall continue to review for another year the long-range goals of AJS and shall suggest substantive topics of interest for AJS. We now need to use the talents and work of the committee to focus on perhaps the most important current issue relating to the judicial system--judicial independence. Thus, the committee shall examine, among others, unwarranted attacks on not only judges, but also of the judicial system of the country, and how AJS can help through the development of systems, studies, programs, and editorials in order to address ways to improve judicial independence. The committee shall also review the possible formation of a Center for Judicial Independence within AJS. The committee may also work with the Judicial Administration and the Judicial Education Committees to review the development of a judicial education program specifically on judicial independence in Hawaii and nationally.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EDITORIAL POLICY</b></p>	<p>Hilary Ganges Barbara Tanabe</p>	<p>Carol Muranaka (Hawaii; Editor of Hawaii Bar Journal and Former President of HSBA) Mallory Martin</p> <p><u>Mainland Ex-Officio:</u> Ronald E. Bush (ID) (Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge) Russ Carparelli (CO) (Former Executive Director of AJS) David Reichert (IL) (Former Editor of Judicature)</p>	<p>The newly formed committee shall focus on developing policies and procedures for an ongoing process for AJS relating to its editorial policies. It shall also establish a process to solicit, review, and distribute editorial material(s). It may also begin to itself originate, write, and review the editorial positions of the AJS. Such positions shall be subject to final review and approval by the AJS Board.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>INTERIM STEERING</b></p>	<p>Lawrence Okinaga</p>	<p>Bill Atwater            Bill Harstad            Colleen Hirai            Tim Johns            Brandon Kimura            Arkie Koehl            Ivan Lui-Kwan            Colin Miwa            Natasha Shaw            Jack Tonaki            Chris Wentzlaff            Sylvia Yuen</p> <p><u>Staff:</u>            Daniel Padilla            Ian Wesley-Smith</p>	<p>The committee shall continue to review and plan for the national expansion of AJS, which shall culminate in the planned national convention in 2020 in Honolulu, Hawaii.</p>

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<b>JUDICIAL DIVERSITY</b>	Simeon Acoba Avi Soifer	Momi Cazimero Donavan Kealoha  <u>Mainland Ex-Officio:</u> Henry Frye <small>(No. Carolina;; first African American Justice and Chief Justice in NC)</small> George Madison <small>(New York; first African American general counsel of U.S. Treasury Dept.)</small>	This newly formed committee shall review the status of and issues relating to diversity in our courts both within our state and nationally. Despite Hawaii's generally diverse judiciary -- both among our judiciary, and its affiliates, commissions, employees, and related constituencies -- issues of judicial diversity need to be continually reviewed and monitored and, where appropriate, improved. A special focus (perhaps including the creation of a subcommittee consisting of members from other states) shall be on reviewing the diversity programs of the judiciary of other states and the country as a whole.
<b>JUDICIAL EDUCATION</b>	Momi Cazimero Lisa Munger (VC)	Troy Andrade Daylin-Rose Heather Brandon Kimura Ka'iulani Sodaro Caycie Wong	The committee shall focus on educating the public concerning the judiciary. It may also address related aspects, such as our judicial selection system, judicial careers, and may provide assistance for judicial education programs for the planned national convention in 2020.



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LAW SCHOOL AFFILIATION(S)	Mike Seabright Jan Boivin	Larry Foster (Former Dean, UH Law School)  <u>Mainland Ex-Officio:</u> Seth Andersen (IA) (Former Executive Director AJS)	The committee shall review the advantages and disadvantages of AJS' affiliation with a law school(s). If recommended, the committee shall review the process and procedures for such affiliation.
NATIONAL EDITORIAL COMMITTEE ON THE EFFECTS OF JUDICIAL BUDGETS ON JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE	Marty Belsky	Russell Carparelli (CO) Angela Ciccolo (DC) Justin D. Levinson (HI) Paula Nakayama (HI) Paul H. Titus (PA)	The committee is in the process of developing an editorial on the effects of judicial budgets on judicial independence.