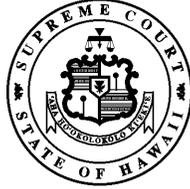


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PRESS RELEASE

The Hawai'i Supreme Court ("Supreme Court") has SUSPENDED Honolulu attorney **KENDAL A. LUKE** ("Luke") for a period of 90 days effective March 20, 2017. The Supreme Court's Order of Suspension ("Order") was filed on February 17, 2017.

The Supreme Court found that Luke violated Rules 3.5(c) and 4.4(a) of the Hawai'i Rules of Professional Conduct by engaging in conduct towards a female pro se party that was highly offensive and included his repeating in a loud voice a vulgar, gender-based slur while they waited in the hallway of Family Court for a TRO hearing to begin. The Supreme Court concluded that Luke's conduct merited a more lengthy period of suspension than the 30 days recommended by the Disciplinary Board of the Hawai'i Supreme Court because it was committed knowingly and injured the legal profession and the system of justice of which Luke is a representative.

Luke's reinstatement is conditioned upon his submission of an affidavit within 10 days following the effective date of his suspension demonstrating compliance with Rule 2.16(d) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i ("RSCH").

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Luke was also ordered to show proof to the Supreme Court that he successfully completed the Multi-State Professional Responsibility Examination, at his own expense, within a year of the date of the Order. Failure to do so could result in a further period of suspension.

Luke was ordered to pay all costs of the proceedings as approved by the Supreme Court.

Luke may not resume the practice of law until the entry of an order by the Supreme Court restoring his right to practice pursuant to RSCH Rules 2.17(a) and 2.17(b)(2).

Luke, 46, was admitted to the Hawai'i bar on October 27, 1995.

[A copy of the Supreme Court's Order of Suspension is available upon request.]

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