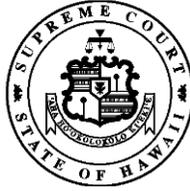


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**PRESS RELEASE**

**HONOLULU, HAWAI'I** - On May 6, 2019, the Hawai'i Supreme Court accepted the Resignation with Disciplinary Charges Pending of attorney Michael O. Yamamoto, with his name to be stricken from the role of attorneys licensed to practice law in Hawai'i, effective June 5, 2019. Resignation in lieu of discipline is a disbarment for all purposes under the laws of the state of Hawai'i. Prior to this resignation the Office of Disciplinary Counsel received a complaint of misconduct against Mr. Yamamoto, submitted by a member of the Hawai'i bar, alleging that Mr. Yamamoto misappropriated a significant sum of money, and otherwise engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, and deceit, in connection with his service as a successor trustee of a decedent trust estate. Mr. Yamamoto acknowledged his misconduct and has made significant payment of restitution to the injured beneficiary of the trust estate. Mr. Yamamoto has also agreed to pay full restitution in a final amount to be determined, and as a precondition for any future reinstatement request. Effective June 5, 2019, Mr. Yamamoto will be unable to act as an attorney any of his clients must seek legal advice elsewhere. Mr. Yamamoto, age 71, was admitted to the Hawai'i bar in September 23, 1977, and is a graduate of Willamette University, College of Law, of Salem, Oregon.

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