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President's Message

Dear HCRCA Members,

We are already over a fourth of the way through this year, and as you read this, you might be grappling with completing your tax returns, or planning on filing an extension, as I have, so you can deal with the paperwork at a later time. After you've dealt with that obligation one way or another, please give thought to sending in your registration form for the Hawaii Court Reporters & Captioners Association's Annual Seminar which will be held on May 21 & 22 at the Outrigger Waikiki-on-the-Beach Hotel. This year's program covers a wide range of topics that impact your professional as well as personal life.

- How the IRS determines employee versus independent contractor status.
- The latest on Alzheimer's disease and caregivers' roles.
- How to super organize and declutter your office or work space.
- How to make your computer super functional.
- What you need to know and have on hand to deal with a natural disaster.
- How to make better food choices when the vending machine is calling your name, and self-massage techniques when you're all kinked up at the end of the day.
- How Hawaii's ancient history affects litigation today.

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Besides the knowledge you'll gain from attending HCRCAs annual seminar, you'll have an opportunity to catch up with colleagues you might not have seen since the last annual seminar. And, best of all, by attending, you'll earn 1.0 C.E.U.s, one-third of the required total for each three-year cycle -- without leaving the state. So look for the registration form in this edition of the newsletter and sign up now.

Aloha,

Sharon Mujtabaa
HCRCAs President

Food for Thought:

People will believe a big lie sooner than a little one. And if you repeat it frequently enough, people will sooner or later believe it.

Walter Langer

HCRCAs suggests a visit to the following websites:

Our Official Website:

<http://www.hawaiicourtreportersassociation.com>

National Court Reporters Association <http://www.ncraonline.org/>

California Deposition Reporters Association <http://www.caldra.org/>

California Court Reporters Association <http://www.cal-ccra.org/>



Hawaii Court Reporters and Captioners Association's

ANNUAL SEMINAR

Saturday, & Sunday, May 21 & 22, 2011

Saturday

Outrigger Waikiki On-the-Beach

2335 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii

Lunch at Duke's

Sunday

Mission Houses Museum

Ancient Hawaiian History

High Tea

Saturday:

Employment Law

Organizational Prowess

Emergency Preparedness

Alzheimer's Caregiving & Writing

Computer Timesavers

Strategies for Healthy Living

Sunday:

How Hawaii's Ancient History Affects Litigation Today

EARN 1.0 CEUs



AGENDA
 HCRCA Annual Seminar
 Saturday & Sunday, May 21 & 22, 2011
 Outrigger Waikiki-on-the-Beach

Saturday, May 21, 2011

- 8:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:45-9:45 Employment Law – Sarah Wang, Marr Jones & Wang
- 9:45-10:00 Break
- 10:00-11:00 Alzheimer’s Caregiving & Writing – Frances Kakugawa, Author & Caregiver
- 11:00-11:15 Break
- 11:15-12:15 Organizational Prowess: Making the Most of Limited Office Space –
 Ruth Wong, Professional Organizer
- 12:15-1:15 Luncheon at Duke’s (*price included in registration*)
- 1:30-1:45 HCRCA Election
- 1:45-2:45 Computer Timesavers: How to Make Your Computer Super Functional –
 Kate Keilman, Computer Genius
- 2:45-3:00 Break
- 3:00-4:00 Emergency Preparedness: How to Cope When an Emergency Strikes –
 Shelly Ichishita, Hawaii Civil Defense
- 4:00-4:15 Break
- 4:15-5:15 Strategies for Healthy Living: Increasing Energy and Stamina –
 Micaire Baxter, D.C.
- 5:15 Pau!

Sunday, May 22, 2011

- 9:00-11:00 How Hawaii’s Ancient History Affects Litigation Today - Nanette Napoleon
 Mission Houses Museum, 553 South King Street, Honolulu
- 12:00-2:00 How Hawaii’s Ancient History Affects Litigation Today (Part II) - Mike Smola.
 High Tea at the Mission Houses Museum



REGISTRATION FORM

Earn CEUs in Paradise!

Saturday and Sunday, May 21st & 22nd, 2011

At Outrigger Waikiki-on-the-Beach

Saturday & Sunday, May 21st & 22nd, 2011

1.0 CEUs

Employment Law, Alzheimer's Caregiving & Writing, Organizational Prowess, Computer Timesavers, Emergency Preparedness, Strategies for Healthy Living, How Hawaii's Ancient History Affects Litigation Today

HCRCA Members	\$185.00
Non-Members	\$235.00
Guests (no CEUs)	\$115.00

Saturday Only, May 21st, 2011

.6 CEUs

Employment Law, Alzheimer's Caregiving & Writing, Organizational Prowess, Computer Timesavers, Emergency Preparedness, Strategies for Healthy Living:

HCRCA Members	\$150.00
Non-Members	\$175.00
Guests (no CEUs)	\$35.00

Sunday Only, May 22nd, 2011

.4 CEUs

How Hawaii's Ancient History Affects Litigation Today

HCRCA Members	\$80.00
Non-Members	\$100.00
Guests (no CEUs)	\$90.00

REGISTRATION DEADLINE – POSTMARKED BY MAY 15, 2010

ADDITIONAL FEE OF \$100 TO REGISTER AT THE DOOR

For overnight accommodations, contact Outrigger Waikiki on the Beach.

<http://www.outrigger.com/hotels-resorts/hawaiian-islands/oahu-waikiki/outrigger-waikiki-on-the-beach>

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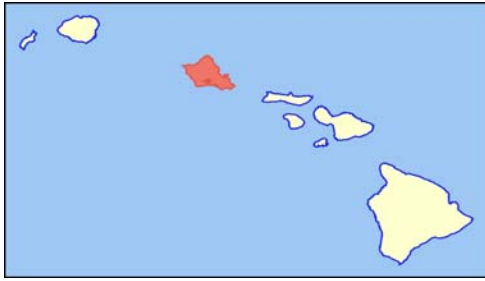
PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

HAWAII CSR #: _____ **RPR#:** _____

ATTENDING: _____ **CHECK ENCLOSED: \$** _____

MAIL TO: Hawaii Court Reporters and Captioners Association
P.O. Box 4681
Honolulu, Hawai`i 96812



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

By Louis A. Carnazzo

HOUSE BILL 1138

HCRC has continued with its effort to pass legislation during the 2011 legislative session holding attorneys responsible for court reporter bills they generate. We are working with our lobbyists Red Morris and John Radcliffe.

Last year's effort with this piece of legislation never got off the ground because the House Representative's aides failed to put it into bill form. (Wethinks they didn't like it.)

During this session, Senator Clayton Hee, Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, added an amendment (Senate Draft 1) to House Bill 1138. His committee passed out the bill to the Senate Ways and Means Committee who then passed it out to the House Judiciary Committee.

The House Judiciary Committee, Chaired by Representative Gilbert Keith-Agaran, is our next hurdle to pass, and we hope to be successful. By the time you read this update in Ho'omua, the hearing may have already taken place.

In any event, win or lose, we want to thank all CSRs who took the time to be present at the hearings in the square building on Beretania Street and/or sent in testimony in support of this measure. It is only with continued support and participation of our membership that we are able to better serve you, our valiant champions of the written record.



HAWAII COURT REPORTERS & CAPTIONERS ASSOCIATION

HCRCA Board Member Nomination Form

HCRCA is seeking volunteers and nominees for the **2011-2012 Board of Directors**. Applicants and nominees must be CSRs licensed by the State of Hawai'i and current members in good standing of HCRCA. *You may nominate yourself*. If you are nominating someone else, please make sure they meet the licensing requirement and are willing to serve.

We will hold elections and inaugurate the incoming board at our Annual Seminar on Saturday, May 21st, 2011. Please submit your nomination form no later than:

May 1st, 2011.

PRESIDENT-ELECT: _____
(Serves one year as president-elect and one year as president for the 2012-2013 term.)

TREASURER: _____
(Two-year term)

OFFICIAL DIRECTOR: _____
(two-year term)

FREELANCE DIRECTOR: _____
(two-year term)

Please submit your application/nomination form to HCRCA, P.O. Box 4681, Honolulu, HI 96812 or email Secretary Sami Silvia at samisilvia@yahoo.com

COURT REPORTERS IN THE NEWS



HCRCA's own Madeline Gable appeared in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser on April 3, 2011 in the feature *Signs of Hawaiian Life in the Universe*. While traveling abroad, Madeline found the Pearl Harbour Chinese Restaurant in Jolly Old England!

Quoted directly from The Oregonian:



Steve Duin, The Oregonian

Steve Duin is The Oregonian's Metro columnist. He is the author/co-author of five books, including "Comics: Between the Panels," a history of comics, and "Father Time," a collection of his columns on family and fatherhood. His last name, for inexplicable reasons, is pronounced "Dean."

Blog: www.oregonlive.com/duin

In an article entitled *Bring Back the Court Reporters*, April 9, 2011, Steve Duin, reporter for The Oregonian, emphasizes the importance of court reporters in the legal process. Oregon is dealing with legislation in Senate Bill 409, "which argues that aggravated murder cases in Oregon just might be important enough to have a certified stenographer in the room." (Ya' think?) This is an important article that we all should read. For the full article, visit:

http://www.oregonlive.com/news/oregonian/steve_duin/index.ssf/2011/04/bring_back_the_court_reporters.html

HCRCA CLASSIFIEDS

To post an ad, contact the newsletter editor at valerie.swiderski@gmail.com with "HCRCA ad" in the subject line. Categories include Equipment for Sale, Equipment Needed, Position Available, Position Wanted, Software for Sale, Software Needed *

POSITION AVAILABLE:

Hawaii State Judiciary. Immediate permanent Supervising Court Reporter II vacancy on the Island of Oahu; Duties: Maintains direct supervision over a staff of court reporters; coordinates court assignments with court schedules; oversees transcript preparation; and assists in various administrative matters. This is a working-supervisory position. All qualifying candidates must possess the ability to take verbatim records of court proceedings; be proficient in computer-aided transcription (CAT) and/or simultaneous video display transcription (realtime); transcribe and certify transcripts; and perform other duties as required. Qualifications: RPR Certification and Hawaii CSR license required. **Major employee benefits:** 13 paid holidays; paid sick and vacation leave; medical, prescription, vision and dental plans; life insurance; retirement plan and savings. **To apply, you may visit our Web site at www.courts.state.hi.us** For further information call Kim Maitland, 808-539-4226

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Hawaii CSRs needed to serve on the HCRCA **Board of Directors** and special committees. Fill out the nomination form on Page 6.

NOMINATIONS NEEDED: HCRCA presents its annual **Distinguished Service Award** at our yearly seminar. If you know someone who always seems to go the extra mile in service to the reporting profession, whether through board service, legislative activities, education, committee work, pro bono service, or someone who simply puts himself or herself out there in the promotion of court reporting, we invite you to submit a nomination. The award can be presented to a present or past member and may be awarded posthumously. Fill out the nomination form on Page 9.

POSITION WANTED: Veteran RPR, Hawai'i & California CSR seeks work as scopist due to repetitive stress injury. Specializes in medical/technical testimony. Excellent referrals upon request. Uses Case Catalyst. Contact valerie.swiderski@gmail.com

EQUIPMENT WANTED: I need an older printer with parallel ports that will run through DOS, preferably LaserJet I, II, III, or IV, that will work with TURBOCAT. Contact Vicki Kite at spiritsong34235@yahoo.com.

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION

On Saturday, May 21st, 2011, HCRCA will present its annual Distinguished Service Award at our yearly seminar. If you know someone who always seems to go the extra mile in service to the reporting profession, whether through board service, legislative activities, education, committee work, pro bono service, or someone who simply puts himself or herself out there in the promotion of court reporting, we invite you to submit a nomination. The award can be presented to a present or past member and may be awarded posthumously. The nomination form is at the bottom of this notice, and it *must* be submitted

NO LATER THAN May 1st, 2011 to P.O. Box 4681, Honolulu, HI 96812.

Please remember to provide as much detail as you can about his or her reporting background, service to the profession, and the reasons you feel your nominee deserves this honor. There are many dedicated reporters in Hawaii who have contributed greatly to HCRCA and our profession. Please take a moment to fill out the nomination form and let them know that their efforts are appreciated.

2011 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

I would like to nominate the following person for the 2011 HCRCA Distinguished Service Award:

Name of Nominee: _____

Address of Nominee: _____

Background and Reason for Nomination: (Use separate sheet if necessary.)

Name of Nominator: _____

Address of Nominator: _____

Phone Numbers: (Work): _____ (Home): _____



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NEW

2011 Advertising Rate Schedule

WEBSITE

Business-card-sized ad running along right-hand column of home page, priced monthly.

HCRCA Members:

No Set-up Fee!

Without Web Link:

\$10.00 per month
\$25.00 per quarter
\$90.00 per year

With Web Link:

\$15.00 per month
\$35.00 per quarter
\$110.00 per year

Non-HCRCA Members:

\$25.00 setup fee*

Without Web Link:

\$15.00 per month
\$35.00 per quarter
\$125.00 per year

With Web Link:

\$20.00 per month
\$45.00 per quarter
\$150.00 per year

HO`OMUA

Business-card-sized ad running along left-hand column of first page, published quarterly:

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\$20.00 per quarter
\$70.00 per year
(Longer sponsorship contracts available)

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\$25.00 setup fee*

\$30.00 per quarter
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* *Set-up fee waived for cut-and-paste-ready art and/or text.*

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\$15.00 per issue

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Address: _____

Phone: _____ Contact: _____

Email: _____ Website URL: _____

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_____ monthly (*web only*) _____ quarterly _____ yearly

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OPPORTUNITIES TO PLAY A PART

Won't you please consider participating in *your* association by volunteering to hold a position on **HCRCA's Board of Directors**? We meet once a month to plan events, address legislative issues, and chart a course for the future. It is a rewarding professional experience, and we are always looking for new blood and new ideas. You don't have to live on Oahu to serve. Many of our members participate in meetings via telephone conference and are critical in planning outer island events. If you have ideas, complaints or criticisms, consider running for office and being part of the solution!

Nomination form on Page 6

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