

NOTICE TO REQUESTER

TO: RALPH CUSHNIE

FROM: OFFICE OF ELECTIONS

DATE THAT THE RECORD REQUEST WAS RECEIVED BY AGENCY: MARCH 31, 2025

DATE OF THIS NOTICE: APRIL 11, 2025

GOVERNMENT RECORDS YOU REQUESTED (attach copy of request or provide brief description below):

Please provide All communications between Mike Curtis and the office of elections for the month of January 2025

THIS NOTICE IS TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR RECORD REQUEST:

☐ Will be granted in its entirety.

☐ Cannot be granted. Agency is unable to disclose the requested records for the following reason:

☐ Agency does not maintain the records. (HRS § 92F-3)

Other agency that is believed to maintain records:

☐ Agency needs further clarification or description of the records requested. Please contact the agency and provide the following information:

☐ Request requires agency to create a summary or compilation from records, but requested information is not readily retrievable. (HRS § 92F-11(c))

☒ Will be granted in part and denied in part, OR ☐ Is denied in its entirety

Although the agency maintains the requested records, it is not disclosing all or part of them based on the exemptions provided in HRS § 92F-13 and/or § 92F-22 or other laws cited below.

(Describe the portions of records that the agency will not disclose.)

RECORDS OR
INFORMATION WITHHELD

Click or tap here to enter text.

APPLICABLE
STATUTES

Click or tap here to enter text.

AGENCY
JUSTIFICATION

Click or tap here to enter text.

Personal phone numbers and email addresses were withheld pursuant to section 92F-13(1), HRS, because there is a significant privacy interest in these personal phone numbers and email addresses that are not outweighed by a public interest in disclosure.

Confidential communications between attorney and client were withheld pursuant to section 92F13(3) and (4), HRS, because the communications are protected under the attorney client privilege and because confidentiality is required in order to ensure a full, frank, and honest exchange of views that will then lead to a better decision-making process.

REQUESTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

You are required to (1) pay any lawful fees and costs assessed; (2) make any necessary arrangements with the agency to inspect, copy or receive copies as instructed below; and (3) provide the agency any additional information requested. **For questions about this notice or the records being sought, please ask the agency's contact person named at the top of this form.** Also, please submit your payment, if any, to the agency at the address listed at the top of this

form. DO NOT SEND YOUR PAYMENT to the Office of Information Practices (OIP) unless you are requesting records directly from OIP.

If you do not comply with the requirements set forth in this notice within 20 business days after the postmark date of this notice or the date the agency makes the records available, you will be presumed to have abandoned your request and the agency shall have no further duty to process your request. Once the agency begins to process your request, you may be liable for any fees and costs incurred. If you wish to cancel or modify your request, you must advise the agency upon receipt of this notice.

Please note that the Office of Information Practices (OIP) does not maintain the records of other agencies, and a requester must seek records directly from the agency it believes maintains the records. If the agency denies or fails to respond to your written request for records or if you have other questions regarding compliance with the UIPA, then you may contact OIP at (808) 586-1400, oip@hawaii.gov, or 250 South Hotel Street, Suite 107, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813.

METHOD & TIMING OF DISCLOSURE:

Records available for public access in their entireties must be disclosed within a reasonable time, not to exceed 10 business days from the date the request was received, or after receipt of any prepayment required. Records not available in their entireties must be disclosed within 5 business days after this notice or after receipt of any prepayment required. HAR § 2-71-13(c). If incremental disclosure is authorized by HAR § 2-71-15, the first increment must be disclosed within 5 business days of this notice or after receipt of any prepayment required.

Method of Disclosure:

- ☐ Inspection at the following location:
- ☒ As requested, a copy of the record(s) will be provided in the following manner:
 - ☐ Available for pick-up at the following location:
 - ☒ Will be emailed to you at request+gg2bm6kgxx@foi.uipa.org.
 - ☐ Will be transmitted to you by other means requested:

Timing of Disclosure: All records, or the first increment if applicable, will be made available or provided to you:

- ☒ On April 11, 2025.
- ☐ **After prepayment** of 50% of fees and 100% of costs, as estimated below.

For incremental disclosures, each subsequent increment will be disclosed within 20 business days after:

- ☐ The prior increment (if one prepayment of fees is required and received), or
- ☐ Receipt of each incremental prepayment, if prepayment for each increment is required.

Records will be disclosed in increments because the records are voluminous and the following extenuating circumstances exist:

- ☐ Agency must consult with another person to determine whether the record is exempt from disclosure under HRS chapter 92F.
- ☐ Request requires extensive agency efforts to search, review, or segregate the records or otherwise prepare the records for inspection or copying.
- ☐ Agency requires additional time to respond to the request in order to avoid an unreasonable interference with its other statutory duties and functions.
- ☐ A natural disaster or other situation beyond agency's control prevents agency from responding to the request within 10 business days.

ESTIMATED FEES & COSTS AND PAYMENT:

FEES: For personal record requests under Part III of chapter 92F, HRS, the agency may charge you for its costs only, and fee waivers do not apply.

For public record requests under Part II of chapter 92F, HRS, the agency is authorized to charge you fees to search for, review, and segregate your request (even if a record is subsequently found to not exist or will not be disclosed in its entirety). The agency must waive the first \$30 in fees assessed for general requesters, OR in the alternative, the first \$60 in fees when the agency finds that the request is made in the public interest. Only one waiver is provided for each request. See HAR §§ 2-71-19, -31 and -32.

COSTS: For either personal or public record requests, the agency may charge you for the costs of copying and delivering records in response to your request, and other lawful fees and costs.

PREPAYMENT: The agency may require prepayment of 50% of the total estimated fees and 100% of the total estimated costs prior to processing your request. If a prepayment is required, the agency may wait to start any search for or review of the records until the prepayment is received by the agency. Additionally, if you have outstanding fees or costs from previous requests, including abandoned requests, the agency may require prepayment of 100% of the unpaid balance from prior requests before it begins any search or review for the records you are now seeking.

The following is an itemization of what you must pay, based on the estimated fees and costs that the agency will charge you and the applicable waiver amount that will be deducted:

For public record requests only:

Fees: Search	Estimate of time to be spent: ___ hours (\$2.50 for each 15-minute period)	\$
Review & segregation	Estimate of time to be spent: ___ hours (\$5.00 for each 15-minute period)	\$
Fees waived	<input type="checkbox"/> general (\$30), <u>OR</u> <input type="checkbox"/> public interest (\$60) <\$ ___> (Only one waiver per request)	
Other	Click or tap here to enter text. (Pursuant to HAR §§ 2-71-19 & 2-71-31)	\$
Total Estimated Fees:		\$

For public or personal record requests:

Costs: Copying	Estimate of # of pages to be copied: _____ (@ \$ ___ per page, pursuant to HRS § 92-21)	\$
Delivery	Postage	\$
Other	Click or tap here to enter text.	\$
Total Estimated Costs:		\$

TOTAL ESTIMATED FEES AND COSTS from above: \$

- ☐ **The estimated fees and costs above are for the first incremental disclosure only. Additional fees and costs, and no further fee waivers, will apply to future incremental disclosures.**
- ☐ **PREPAYMENT IS REQUIRED** (50% of fees + 100% of costs, as estimated above) \$
- ☐ **UNPAID BALANCE FROM PRIOR REQUESTS** (100% must be paid before work begins) \$

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE AT THIS TIME \$

Payment may be made by: ☐ cash

☐ personal check payable to: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

☐ other

Submit your payment to the agency at the address listed at the beginning of this form, including the name of the agency's contact person.

From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Michael Curtis](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Incident Report
Date: Friday, January 3, 2025 12:26:01 PM

Aloha Raymund, etal.

Thank you for the report, I wasn't aware.

And, I concur with your recommendation of black-out of all attendees, except for Commissioners. Might want to run this by AG for Sunshine Law compliance.

Happy New Year!

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



PoipuRotary.Org

On Thu, Dec 19, 2024 at 9:22 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha Chair Curtis,

I wanted to bring to your attention two incidents that occurred during yesterday's meeting. Myself and my colleague, Dominic, provide technical support for EC meetings which includes facilitating the Zoom testifiers. Over the course of the meeting, there were two incidents of participants inappropriately exposing themselves and performing sexual acts. In both cases, we were able to stop and report their videos within seconds. We believe that the report function in Zoom automatically ejected the participants from the meeting. I have attached copies of our reports to Zoom for your reference.

With that said, this opens the conversation of whether we should continue to allow all Zoom participants to share their video throughout the entire duration of the meeting. We have the capability of disabling video for participants, similar to how currently audio is disabled for all participants. It is only when someone has raised their hand to testify that we allow them to share their audio. The same can be done for video.

Please let us know your thoughts and how you wish to proceed for future meetings.

Thank you,

Raymund de Vega

Voter Services

State of Hawaii, Office of Elections

(808) 453-VOTE (8683)



From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#); [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Draft agenda for 1/15 EC meeting
Date: Friday, January 3, 2025 1:47:41 PM

Please finish 12/18 minutes in time for circulation prior to Jan 15 meeting.

Otherwise, agenda looks good.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Thu, Jan 2, 2025 at 3:03 PM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha Chair,

Happy New Year!

Attached is the draft agenda. Please note that we will be approving the October 8th meeting minutes as the December 18th meeting minutes won't be available till later this month.

Please let me know if you require any additions or changes.

Mahalo,

Jazelle Aolahi

Administrative Assistant

State of Hawaii

Office of Elections

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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Cc: [OE.Elections.Commission](#); [Nago, Scott T](#)
Subject: Re: FW: [EXTERNAL] Testimony for Hawaii State Elections Commission
Date: Monday, January 6, 2025 10:59:54 AM

Thanks Jazelle, Chris, etal,

We'll have to ask AG's opinion on Mr. Ready's interpretations.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®


On Mon, Jan 6, 2025 at 10:36 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha Chair,

Received below email from Boyd Ready.

Mahalo,

Jazelle

From: Boyd Ready < >
Sent: Saturday, January 4, 2025 10:15 PM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony for Hawaii State Elections Commission

Aloha, Commissioners,

As it appears a public hearing was not held last year for Elections Officer appointment I attach an opinion on what a public hearing is for your consideration.

Mahalo,

Boyd Ready, RP

Registered Voter, HD47-2

Haleiwa

From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]; [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Draft agenda for 1/15 EC meeting
Date: Monday, January 6, 2025 11:09:04 AM

Works for me.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
PoipuRotary.Org

On Mon, Jan 6, 2025 at 11:07 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Okay, just confirming the Zoom meeting will be at 10:00 am?

Mahalo,
Jazelle

From: Michael Curtis <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, January 3, 2025 1:47 PM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Cc: Michael C Curtis, REALTOR <[REDACTED]>; Leong, Christopher JJ
<[REDACTED]>
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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: State vs. County Responsibilities
Date: Monday, January 6, 2025 1:38:23 PM

Thanks Jazelle,

Is it possible to add Federal Election Laws?

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Mon, Jan 6, 2025 at 11:48 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha all,

Please see attached document for your files.

Mahalo,

Jazelle Aolahi

Administrative Assistant

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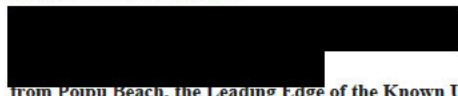
From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [Nago, Scott T](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Urgent Request to Investigate Domestic Terrorism And foreign influence Activities and Election Interference in Hawaii
Date: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 9:03:51 PM
Attachments: [1000023160.png](#)
[1000030889.png](#)
[1000030888.png](#)
[1000020674.png](#)
[1000030858.png](#)
[1000030649.png](#)

Aloha Scott,

This communication includes law enforcement contacts (FBI & DOJ), fyi.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



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----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Kai On Your Side** <[REDACTED]>
Date: Wed, Jan 8, 2025 at 8:48 PM
Subject: Urgent Request to Investigate Domestic Terrorism And foreign influence Activities and Election Interference in Hawaii
To: Mike Wheat <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Sumpter <[REDACTED]>

I am writing to request an immediate federal investigation into the actions of Shelby Jason Brown, a known affiliate of the Hawaiian Kingdom movement, and the broader coordinated efforts by this group to interfere with Hawaii's elections. Mr. Brown has personally targeted me with threats, harassment, and doxing, while this movement has engaged in broader activities that I believe constitute domestic terrorism and election interference.

The Hawaii Election Commission's stated mission is "to provide secure, accessible, and convenient election services to all citizens statewide." However, the coordinated actions of Shelby Jason Brown and the Hawaiian Kingdom movement threaten this mission and the very

foundation of free and fair elections in Hawaii.

Shelby Jason Brown: Targeted Harassment and Threats Against Me

During the December 18, 2024, Hawaii Election Commission meeting, I provided testimony exposing election interference linked to the Hawaiian Kingdom movement. Following my testimony, Mr. Brown verbally attacked me, publicly doxed my personal and financial information, and incited others to harass me. Since then, he has escalated his campaign of intimidation, including:

Death Threats: Explicitly calling for harm to me, both physically and emotionally, on social media platforms.

Doxing: Sharing my personal and financial information publicly, leading to targeted harassment and threats against me.

Intimidation: Coordinating online harassment campaigns, threatening my livelihood, and creating an unsafe environment for me to exercise my First Amendment rights.

These actions are not isolated but part of a broader pattern of behavior by individuals affiliated with the Hawaiian Kingdom movement, which seeks to undermine Hawaii's electoral process.

Organized Election Interference by the Hawaiian Kingdom Movement

Shelby Jason Brown's threats are part of a larger effort by the Hawaiian Kingdom movement to destabilize Hawaii's democracy and electoral integrity. Key activities include:

1. **Foreign Influence and Fundraising:** Members of this movement have fundraised for a foreign national from Greece, known as "Dakine

Residenalienhi,” who has publicly advocated for the overthrow of Hawaii’s political system. Evidence shows fundraising efforts were coordinated by members of the Hawaii Republican Party, including funds received by Sharron VanDeusen and Always Aloha aka Josh Gandy Both Chairs in the Republican Party.

who organized fundraisers to raise money for this individual’s citizenship, so he could run for office and represent Hawaii despite legal prohibitions against foreign influence in U.S. elections.



Da Kine (@residentialienhi), a Twitter user who infiltrated pro-Trump circles in Hawaii, advocating for Hawaiian sovereignty through the GOP. In a since-deleted tweet captured by HIRA, Da Kine suggested using the Hawaii GOP as a tool to achieve sovereignty and restore an independent Hawaiian kingdom. Though he later claimed the tweet was misunderstood, his participation in a Twitter Space with Joshua Gandy (@alohacode) discussing these very topics—and his appearance under the alias “Phil Smith” on Wendy Bell’s show—only deepened suspicions.

2. Coordination with Election Commissioners: Individuals linked to this movement, may have worked closely with a few Kingdom election commissioners to manipulate processes and undermine Hawaii’s elections. Shelby Jason Brown aliases Shelby Billionaire Pikachu , Ralph

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/mYVWyq3hGfosyY6S7>

3. Strategic Infiltration: Members of this movement have sought to gain seats within political parties and influence election processes to advance their agenda of reinstating the Hawaiian Kingdom, which they falsely claim still exists as a sovereign entity.

Dakine"s manifesto



Many chairs and leadership within the Hawaii Republican party have denounced Hawaii as a state and think that Hawaii is a Kingdom.




Key Individuals and Evidence of Coordination

In addition to Shelby Jason Brown, several other individuals may have played a significant role in these efforts, and further investigation is warranted.



Link to Shelby Jason Browns one of many threatening intimidating and doxing videos on social media.

 [Domestic terrorism](#)

Request for Federal Action

The coordinated actions of Shelby Jason Brown and the Hawaiian Kingdom movement pose a significant threat to Hawaii's electoral integrity and public safety. I respectfully request the following actions:

1. Investigate Shelby Jason Brown: Examine his threats, harassment, and doxing as acts of domestic terrorism and election interference.
2. Investigate the Hawaiian Kingdom Movement: Conduct a thorough inquiry into the group's activities, including their foreign influence, coordination with election officials, and broader efforts to undermine Hawaii's democracy.

3. Protect Threatened Individuals: Provide safeguards for those of us who have been targeted by this movement's intimidation tactics.

4. Enforce Accountability: Prosecute those responsible for violating federal election laws and threatening public safety.



The Hawaii Office of Elections is tasked with providing secure, accessible, and fair election services. The actions of Shelby Jason Brown, the Hawaiian Kingdom movement, and their affiliates directly undermine this mission and the democratic principles of the United States. Their coordinated efforts to intimidate and manipulate Hawaii's electoral system must be addressed immediately to protect the integrity of our elections and ensure the safety of all citizens.

I have compiled extensive evidence, including screenshots, videos, and documentation of threats, doxing, and fundraising activities, which I am prepared to share as part of this investigation.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I look forward to your response and am available to provide additional information or documentation upon request.

Sincerely,
Kai Lorinc

* Video of Shelby Jason Brown making threats and talking about the kingdom rolling up on people to the chair of the libertarian party.

From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Agenda for 1/15 EC Mtg
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 9:02:34 AM

Aloha Jazelle,

Agenda appears good to me, thank you.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 8:19 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

Please review attached agenda before we post it today.

Mahalo,

Jazelle Aolaihiko

Administrative Assistant

State of Hawaii

Office of Elections

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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Cc: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Agenda for 1/15 EC Mtg
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 9:12:19 AM


should be added to communication & correspondence.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



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On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 9:08 AM Leong, Christopher JJ <>
wrote:

Hi Jazelle,



Thanks,

Chris

From: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2025 8:20 AM
To: Michael Curtis <>; Leong, Christopher JJ

<[REDACTED]>

Cc: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>

Subject: Agenda for 1/15 EC Mtg

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Jazelle Aolahi

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From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 10:13:41 AM

by adding it to communication and correspondence

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



[PoipuRotary.Org](#)

On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 10:05 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

Should I distribute the complaint docs to the rest of the commission as requested by OIP?

Mahalo,

Jazelle

From: OE.Elections.Commission
Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 4:11 PM
To: Michael Curtis < >
Cc: Leong, Christopher JI < >; OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Subject: FW: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)
Importance: High

Aloha Chair,

Please see attached letter from OIP for your appropriate attention and action.

Mahalo,

Jazelle

From: OIP <qip@hawaii.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 3:48 PM

To: OE.Elections <elections@hawaii.gov>

Subject: Re: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)

Dear Mr. Curtis,

Attached is a letter dated January 8, 2025 from the Office of Information Practices regarding a request for assistance we received from Mr. Ralph Cushnie. Also attached are the Appeal Procedures and Responsibilities of the parties, and Mr. Cushnie's request to OIP.

Please contact our office if you have difficulty opening the attachments.

Thank you,

Office of Information Practices

State of Hawai'i
No. 1 Capitol District Building

250 S. Hotel Street, #107

Honolulu, HI 96813

Ph: (808) 586-1400

Facsimile: (808) 586-1412

Email: qip@hawaii.gov

Website: <http://qip.hawaii.gov>

From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: State vs. County Responsibilities
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 10:16:16 AM

Thanks Jazelle. that completes list of laws affecting Elections.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



[PoipuRotary.Org](#)


On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 10:13 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

The attached document now includes a page for Federal Election Laws as requested.

Mahalo,

Jazelle

From: Michael Curtis < >
Sent: Monday, January 6, 2025 1:38 PM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
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Subject: Re: FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: Elections Commission Meeting - January 15, 2025
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 9:27:45 PM

Aloha Jazelle,

"Please share with him that the information is all public record, and Approved Minutes are at <https://elections.hawaii.gov/about-us/boards-and-commissions/elections-commission/> "

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis




from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 2:08 PM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

Received below email from Matt Kolling.

Mahalo,
Jazelle

From: Matt Kolling < >
Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2025 2:02 PM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Elections Commission Meeting - January 15, 2025

Can I please get an UPDATE on motions that have passed in 2024....what is the status of all the pending motions?

On Jan 9, 2025, at 12:26 PM, OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha,

Attached please find the agenda for the next Elections Commission meeting on **January 15, 2025**. It has also been:

- Posted to the [State Calendar](#)
- Posted to the [OE website](#)

Mahalo,

Office of Elections

elections.commission@hawaii.gov

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<2025-01-15 EC Agenda FINAL.pdf>

From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: Re: FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: Elections Commission Meeting - January 15, 2025
Date: Friday, January 10, 2025 10:14:21 AM

Aloha Jazelle,

You may want to report that many motions are advisory. And, to ask if he has a specific motion of interest.

Check with Scott Nago on this communication chain, please and thank you.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



PoipuKotary.Org

On Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 8:31 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

See below.

Mahalo,
Jazelle

From: Matt Kolling < >
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2025 8:28 AM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Elections Commission Meeting - January 15, 2025

Thank you for the link, But my question which I can not find anywhere is on the progress of each motion that has been passed.... Even though these motions have been passed what is being done about the motions passed? I can not find an accurate link anywhere stating that this or that motion that has been passed is now complete

Please let me know

Mahalo's

Matthew Kolling

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 10, 2025, at 8:00 AM, OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha Matt,

The information is all public record and approved minutes are at
<https://elections.hawaii.gov/about-us/boards-and-commissions/elections-commission/>.

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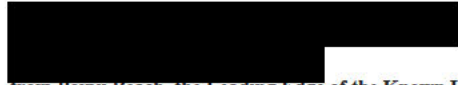
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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Parking Reimbursement for 12/18/24
Date: Friday, January 10, 2025 2:12:49 PM

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**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 11:51 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Aloha Chair,

You should have received a separate email from Adobe Sign requesting your signature for your airport parking. Please sign at your earliest convenience and let me know if you have any questions.

Mahalo,

Jazelle Aolaihiko

Administrative Assistant

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From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Cc: [OE.Elections.Commission](#); [Michael Curtis](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Agenda for 1/15 EC Mtg
Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025 12:26:03 PM

write letter to OIP, as directed. I can sign and share with commission, if and when issue is aired.

I intend to RECEIVE communication & correspondence, sticking to the agenda.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis

[REDACTED]
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On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 9:09 AM Leong, Christopher JJ <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Jazelle,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Thanks,

Chris

From: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>

Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2025 8:20 AM

To: Michael Curtis <[REDACTED]>; Leong, Christopher JJ
<[REDACTED]>

Cc: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>

Subject: Agenda for 1/15 EC Mtg

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Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025 12:27:20 PM

Please write a letter to OIP saying our records are available online at; please link to site with video of meetings, agendas, approved and draft minutes.


By the time they get to this, the draft minutes will have been approved.

Aloha,
mike

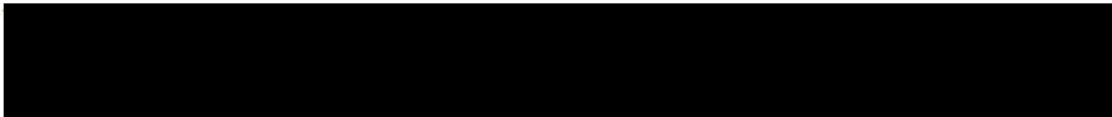
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From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [de Vega, Raymund C](#)
Cc: [OE.Elections.Commission](#); [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Testimony Video
Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 1:42:50 PM

Aloha Mr. deVega,


I concur wholeheartedly. In the future, can we refrain from sharing video & audio of "civilians?" Civilians being other than commissioners or the actual testifier.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



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On Wed, Jan 15, 2025 at 12:19 PM de Vega, Raymund C <> wrote:

Hi Chair Curtis,

We have disabled all video because there have been an overwhelming amount of users that are raising their hand for testimony, and sharing pornographic video. We are trying to remove them as soon as we can.

Thanks,

Raymund de Vega

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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] EC Letters over Chair's signature
Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 1:50:05 PM

Aloha Jazelle, etal.

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Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



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To: [de Vega, Raymund C](#)
Cc: [OE.Elections.Commission](#); [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Testimony Video
Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 2:19:07 PM

Aloha Mr. de Vega,


Totally concur, and authorize, subject to AG's opinion.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



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On Wed, Jan 15, 2025 at 2:07 PM de Vega, Raymund C <> wrote:

Hi Chair Curtis and Chris,

Just to piggyback off of this – although we were able to remove the testifiers from the meeting quickly, I believe some were still caught on the video. Given that, we have removed the video stream from YouTube and have withheld from posting the video to our website as we typically would after a meeting.

With your direction, we will remove the instances of pornographic content from the meeting video before making it available to the public. Please advise.

Thank you,

Raymund de Vega

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From: Michael C Curtis, REALTOR <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 1:43 PM
To: de Vega, Raymund C <[REDACTED]>
Cc: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>; Leong, Christopher JI
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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#); [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: Re: FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: Incident Report
Date: Thursday, January 16, 2025 8:17:09 AM

Aloha Jazelle, please remind me at the next meeting, and thank you.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



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On Wed, Jan 15, 2025 at 9:17 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

Please announce in the meeting that when providing testimony, testifiers must accept our request to turn on video and audio. Previously, testifiers only needed to accept audio.

Mahalo,

Jazelle

From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OIP](#)
Cc: [Michael Curtis; OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)
Date: Monday, January 20, 2025 2:24:11 PM

Re: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)

Aloha Ms. Feldman,

All of the information requested is available on the Office of Elections website.
Staff can help you find specific items for your perusal.

**Aloha,
mike**

**Michael Curtis, Chair
Hawaii Elections Commission**




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On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 7:51 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Good morning Chair,

Received below email from Commissioner Cushnie.

Mahalo,
Jazelle

From: Ralph Cushnie (EC) < >
Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 5:46 PM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)

Hello, please put this e-mail and enclosures on the agenda.

Sincerely,

Ralph Cushnie

From: OIP <oiip@hawaii.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 3:48 PM

To: Ralph Cushnie (EC) <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re: Notice of Appeal of Sunshine Law Complaint (S APPEAL 25-07)

Dear Mr. Cushnie,

Attached is a letter dated January 8, 2025 from the Office of Information Practices regarding your request for assistance from OIP. Also attached are the Appeal Procedures and Responsibility of the Parties.

Please contact our office if you have difficulty opening the attachments.

Thank you,

Office of Information Practices

State of Hawai'i

No. 1 Capitol District Building

250 S. Hotel Street, #107

Honolulu, HI 96813

Ph: (808) 586-1400

Facsimile: (808) 586-1412

Email: oiip@hawaii.gov

Website: <http://oiip.hawaii.gov>

From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Michael Curtis](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] House Speaker
Date: Monday, January 20, 2025 2:31:37 PM

Aloha Jazelle,

House Speaker is now Kauai Rep D15; Nadine Nakamura, fyi

draft letters addressed to Saiki, oops.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#); [Peter Young](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] EC Letters over Chair's signature
Date: Monday, January 20, 2025 3:32:09 PM
Attachments: [County Chain of Custody Request.PDF](#)
[Bi-Partisan Task Force to LEG.PDF](#)

Aloha Jazelle,

Attached are the two letters, edited, & signed for transmittal as appropriate.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Fri, Jan 17, 2025 at 11:27 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Chair,

Attached are draft letters for your review and approval.

Mahalo,

Jazelle Aolaihiko

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From: Michael Curtis <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 1:50 PM

To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>

Cc: Leong, Christopher JJ [REDACTED]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] EC Letters over Chair's signature

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mike

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From: [Michael C Curtis, REALTOR](#)
To: [OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Cc: [Nago, Scott T](#); [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting Minutes for 1/15 EC Mtg
Date: Friday, January 24, 2025 10:48:10 AM

Those have to be "Draft" Minutes, until approved at next meeting, FYI

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis



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On Fri, Jan 24, 2025 at 10:17 AM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Hi Commissioners,

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Mahalo,

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From: [Michael Curtis](#)
To: [Peter Young](#)
Cc: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#); [OE.Elections.Commission](#); [Michael Curtis](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: Bi-Partisan Task Force to LEG
Date: Monday, January 27, 2025 2:02:03 PM

Aloha Peter, Ralph Cushnie asked for your contact information. Yours to share, if you choose.

Aloha,
mike

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Mahalo,
Jazelle

From: Ralph Cushnie (EC) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, January 26, 2025 11:12 AM
To: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Bi-Partisan Task Force to LEG

HI Jazelle,

Please send Commissioner Young my contact information and send me his contact information so we can move this forward.

Sincerely,

Ralph Cushnie

From: OE.Elections.Commission <elections.commission@hawaii.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2025 8:35 AM

Subject: Bi-Partisan Task Force to LEG

Aloha,

Please find attached copy for your records.

Mahalo,

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State of Hawaii

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: Bi-Partisan Task Force to LEG
Date: Monday, January 27, 2025 3:26:16 PM

Jazelle, please share Peter's telephone numbers & eMail with Ralph Cushnie.


and, thank you.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis



from Poipu Beach, the Leading Edge of the Known Universe®

On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 2:07 PM Peter Young <> wrote:

Good afternoon, Mike -


Knowing that we cannot "talk between more than two folks"... I approve of sharing my contact information with Ralph RE: the proposed task force, [et.al](#). Thank you for asking.

Aloha pumehana -

Peter

Peter F. Young



On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 2:01 PM Michael Curtis <> wrote:

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Cc: [Michael Curtis](#); [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: Meeting Minutes for 1/15 EC Mtg
Date: Monday, January 27, 2025 3:40:38 PM

He can do that as the Draft Minutes are reviewed.

Aloha,
mike

Michael Curtis

[REDACTED]
PoipuRotary.Org

On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 12:41 PM OE.Elections.Commission
<elections.commission@hawaii.gov> wrote:

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Hi Jazelle,

Please amend the minutes as follows.

Support Staff in attendance:

Scott Nago

Aaron Schulaner

IV Approval of the Written Minutes from the December 18, 2024 meeting [10:05 a.m.

Amendments were not adopted contrary to HRS 92-9 the minutes shall give a true reflection of the matters discussed at the meeting and the views of the participants.”

Thank you

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To: [Leong, Christopher JJ](#)
Cc: [Michael Curtis; OE.Elections.Commission](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Response to OIP (S Appeal 25-07)
Date: Thursday, January 30, 2025 2:06:48 PM

Aloha Chris,

Yes, that is the essence of our response. Thank you for putting this together, and I approve sending it.

**Aloha,
mike**

Michael Curtis

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
PoipuRotary.Org

On Thu, Jan 30, 2025 at 1:08 PM Leong, Christopher JJ <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Mike, Jazelle:

Please see attached response letter to OIP regarding S Appeal 25-07 for your review and comment. I received an extension until today to send this, so it will be sent today. Apologies for the short notice – I have a lot of things to cover nowadays.

Mike – [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Thanks,

Chris

Christopher J.I. Leong

Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Commerce and Economic Development Division

Department of the Attorney General

425 Queen Street

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