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# LEIGHTON M. HARA

## EDUCATION

University of Hawaii,
William S. Richardson
School of Law
(J.D.)

University of Hawaii
(B.B.A. in Marketing with
Distinction)

Leighton M. Hara represents clients in a wide range of high-stakes litigation, including disputes related to employment matters, contracts, personal injury, medical malpractice and commercial transactions. His clients have included numerous high-profile corporations, executives, agencies, and organizations, including major airlines, hospitals, and hotels. Leighton has significant litigation experience, having participated in jury and non-jury trials in both state and federal courts.

Prior to joining the firm, Leighton was a partner at Marr Jones & Wang LLLP, where he handled numerous employment litigation matters, conducted in-house trainings on best employment practices, and participated in corporate investigations. Leighton also practiced commercial litigation at Watanabe Ing, LLLP, where he defended numerous corporations, governmental entities, and individuals in civil actions, and medical malpractice litigation at Robbins & Associates. Leighton served as a law clerk to the Hon. Riki May Amano and the Hon. Terence T. Yoshioka of the Third Circuit Court, State of Hawaii.

In addition to his litigation practice, Leighton devotes a considerable amount of time to pro bono matters and serving the community as a member of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii and the Board of Bar Examiners of the Hawaii Supreme Court.

## PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Leighton holds Martindale-Hubbell's highest possible rating in both legal ability and professional ethics, based on ratings submitted by peers with personal knowledge of his work, reputation, and integrity. Leighton has also been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America© based on an exhaustive peer-review survey of leading attorneys, and in Super Lawyers®, a rating service of outstanding lawyers who have attained a high-degree of peer recognition and professional achievement.

## MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Hawaii State Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- Board of Directors, Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii
- Board of Bar Examiners, Hawaii Supreme Court
- Member, Japanese Sword Society of Hawaii
- Arbitrator, Court Annexed Arbitration Program