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HONORABLE JAMES E. DUFFY, JR. (Ret.)

James E. Duffy, Jr. served as an Associate Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court from 2003 – 2012. Justice Duffy received the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) Distinguished Service Award, one of the highest awards presented by the NCSC for his leadership of the Hawaii Supreme Court's Commission on Professionalism and his contributions to the legal profession, the justice system, and the people of Hawaii. Prior to serving on the Supreme Court, Justice Duffy was a founding member of the firm Fujiyama, Duffy and Fujiyama, a practicing trial lawyer for 35 years, representing both plaintiffs and defendants in diverse matters, including professional liability, products liability, personal injury, commercial, business and general civil matters.

In addition, in his practice years, Justice Duffy also served as a mediator, arbitrator and special master in well over 300 matters, including business, commercial, real estate, insurance, employment, labor, trust, probate, tort, products liability, personal injury and professional liability.

Justice Duffy is a past President of the Hawaii State Bar Association and is a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers, and the American Board of Trial Advocates. Justice Duffy has received Life-time Achievement Awards from the following organizations: (1) the Hawaii State Bar Association; (2) the Consumer Lawyers of Hawaii; (3) the Law Enforcement/Security Association; and (4) Saint Francis School. Justice Duffy has also received the John S. Edmunds Award for Civility and

Vigorous Advocacy, and the C. Frederick Schutte Award for outstanding contribution to the legal community and the profession.

Justice Duffy is a graduate of the College of St. Thomas and Marquette

University Law School (1968) where he was a member of the Board of Editors of the

Marquette Law Review.

On a personal note, Justice Duffy is married, with 2 children and 2 grandchildren.

He is an avid horseman, past Chairman of the Hawaii Horse Breeders Trust, and past

President of the Hawaii Cowhorse Championships, and presently serves as a Director

of the Paniolo Preservation Society.