

## Commission on Judicial Conduct — THE JUDICIARY • STATE OF HAWAI'I

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Ms. Sherri Kane P. O. Box 75104 Honolulu, Hawaii 96836

Re: Your emails dated February 27, 2016 and March 3, 2016

Dear Ms. Kane:

We have received and reviewed the emails and materials you submitted to the Commission on Judicial Conduct dated February 27, and March 3, 2016.

The purpose of this Commission is to determine whether there was unethical or other misconduct or disability on the part of a judge, as defined by the Hawaii Revise Code of Judicial Conduct. Please understand that this authority does not permit and does not allow the Commission to intervene or affect ongoing court proceedings. The jurisdiction of this Commission is limited to determining whether the conduct involved violated the Code or not. Any conclusion we may arrive at would not and cannot affect the case.

Furthermore, the Commission has no authority to consider the correctness of any ruling or to change any ruling or decision with regard to a specific case or legal matter. Only an appellate court may review the order or ruling of a trial judge.

We are aware that some of your cases are still ongoing and that some of the issues you presented to us may be directly or indirectly related to matters that may be raised on an appeal of your case. In situations like this one, the Commission will not act on your complaint until all judicial proceedings related to your complaint are concluded.

Accordingly, we are closing this matter. After all of your court proceedings have been concluded, please notify the Commission if you wish to proceed with a complaint. Enclosed is the Commission's brochure for your information.

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We appreciate your taking the time to bring your concerns to our attention.

Very truly yours,

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