

## Gordon M. Arakaki

Gordon M. Arakaki has been in practice in Hawaii for over 30 years (since 1984) and has a wealth of experience in both the public and private sectors, as well as substantial experience working with communities, businesses, and government.

Mr. Arakaki was the Hawaii Real Estate Commission's Condominium Law Recodification Project Attorney from 2000-2004, and is currently in solo practice. He has served as the Chief of Staff/Committee Clerk of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means and as Staff Attorney/Committee Clerk for the Senate Committee on Education and Technology and Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Information Technology. Mr. Arakaki has also worked in various capacities for the Lt. Governor, Honolulu City Council, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii.

During his time as the Recodification Project Attorney, Mr. Arakaki worked with lawmakers, the Hawaii Real Estate Commission, a blue ribbon advisory committee, and stakeholders throughout the State to "update, clarify, organize, deregulate, and provide for consistency and ease of use" of Hawaii's then 44+ year old condominium law. He is the author of the Commission's final report to the Legislature on the recodification of Hawaii's condominium property regimes law, which the Legislature stated should be used as an aid in understanding and interpreting the law (Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 514B). Mr. Arakaki has lectured and written extensively on the recodification of Hawaii's condominium law, as well as a number of land use issues.

For his work with the condominium community in "helping craft and advance the next generation of the Hawaii Condominium Property Act," Mr. Arakaki received the Community Associations Institute—Hawaii Chapter's 2004 "Public Advocate Award."

Mr. Arakaki is not taking new condominium clients and respectfully requests that any condominium law questions be directed to Porter McGuire Kiakona & Chow.