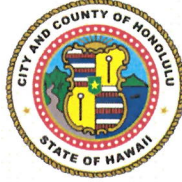


**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
KE KE'ENA O KA MEIA
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU**

530 SOUTH KING STREET, ROOM 300 • HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813
PHONE: (808) 768-4141 • FAX: (808) 768-4242 • WEBSITE: honolulu.gov

RICK BLANGIARDI
MAYOR
MEIA



MICHAEL D. FORMBY
MANAGING DIRECTOR
PO'O HO'OKELE

KRISHNA F. JAYARAM
DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR
HOPE PO'O HO'OKELE

August 13, 2024

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Suite 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

Pursuant to Section 13-103(b) of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, Mr. Ryan Toyomura as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Toyomura will replace Gladys Marrone and serve for a term to expire on June 30, 2026. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Mr. Toyomura's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

I have enclosed a draft resolution and Mr. Toyomura's personal information for review. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my executive assistant, Kevan Wong, at (808) 768-6608.

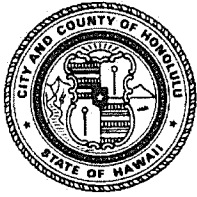
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Blangiardi". The signature is stylized with a large, flowing "R" and a cursive "Blangiardi".

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Ryan Toyomura
Department of Planning and Permitting
Zoning Board of Appeals
Ethics Commission



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. _____

RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RYAN TOYOMURA TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS.

WHEREAS, Section 6-1516 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended ("Charter"), establishes the Zoning Board of Appeals consisting of five members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council ("Council") to serve for staggered five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-1516 states that the Zoning Board of Appeals "shall hear and determine appeals from the actions of the [Director of Planning and Permitting] in the administration of the zoning ordinances, including variances therefrom, subdivision ordinances and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant to either"; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's letter, dated August 13, 2024, the Mayor has appointed Mr. Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals; and

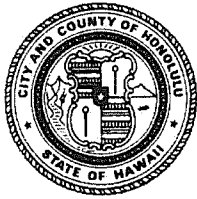
WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Mr. Toyomura will replace Gladys Marrone and serve for a term to expire on June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-103, which applies to the Zoning Board of Appeals, requires that appointees to City and County of Honolulu ("City") boards and commissions be registered voters of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Mr. Toyomura's qualifications and character and finds that he qualifies to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals and deserves confirmation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the appointment of Mr. Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring on June 30, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Toyomura for his willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in City government; and



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. _____

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and Mr. Ryan Toyomura.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM

1. Position Nominated to: ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
2. Name: RYAN M. TOYOMURA
(First) (Middle) (Last)
3. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes ☒
Are you a resident of the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☒ If yes, how long >20 years ☒
Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? -select-
4. Occupation: ATTORNEY
5. Name and address of employer or firm:
ASHFORD & WRISTON, LLP; 999 BISHOP STREET SUITE 1400, HNL HI 96813
6. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu? No ☒
If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:
To my knowledge, the firm does not currently represent the C&C of Honolulu.
To my knowledge, previous representations in 2008 and 2020 appx total \$10,500.00.
7. Do you or does any member of your immediate family hold office or own stock in any firm?
No ☒
8. Does the firm do business with the City and County of Honolulu? -select- ☒
If yes, provide details including the name(s) of the firm:
9. Do you have any part-time employment, professional activity, or financial interests other than those indicated in the previous question? No ☒
If yes, provide details:
10. Do you foresee any possible conflict between your present work, financial investments, business transactions or any other activity which would be incompatible with the proper discharge of your official duties or hinder you from effectively carrying out the duties for which you have been appointed? No ☒
11. Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? No ☒
If yes, please specify the department and division:
12. Are there any incidents in your past that may jeopardize your nomination? No ☒
13. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? No ☒ If yes, provide details:

14. Education:

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII - JD; MPA; BA

15. Provide a summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job including military (attach additional sheets if necessary or resume):

LAW PRACTICE AREAS INCLUDE LAND USE, LITIGATION; APPEALS; GOV'T AFFAIRS; CORPORATE LAW; JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP WITH ICA; LEGISLATIVE AIDE WITH HI SENATE.

16. Community activities, etc. (also list any service on any other board or commission Federal, State or County):

STATE JUDICIARY'S COURTS IN THE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEMBER; HONOLULU JAPANESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE; GOV'T AFFAIRS COMM.

17. Have you ever been a member of a board or commission with the City and County of Honolulu?

No ☒

If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:

18. Will you be able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes ☒

19. Will you be able to commit to meeting dates and times? Yes ☒

20. Are you regularly away from Honolulu? No ☒ If yes, please explain:

21. Are you willing to make a confidential financial disclosure to the city Ethics Commission upon appointment and yearly thereafter? Yes ☒

22. What do you understand to be the prime duties of your county appointment?

ADJUDICATE CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS ARISING FROM DECISIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMIT.

The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

/S/ RYAN M. TOYOMURA

(Signature)

7/25/24

(Date)

The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and ***The completed form and any attachment(s) will be posted by the City Clerk and available on the City's DocuShare Website.***

RYAN M. TOYOMURA, ESQ.

Education

Juris Doctor
University of Hawai‘i, Manoa

MA, Public Administration
University of Hawai‘i, Manoa

BA, Political Science
University of Hawai‘i, Manoa

Honors and Distinctions

- 2024, 2025 - The Best Lawyers of America “*Ones to Watch*”
- 2023 Hawai‘i State Bar Association’s Leadership Institute, Fellow
- Graduated from law school *Summa Cum Laude* (Class Rank 5 of 102)
- University of Hawai‘i Law Review, member
- Justice Edward H. Nakamura Memorial Scholarship recipient

Bar Admission

- All courts in the State of Hawai‘i
- United States District Court, District of Hawai‘i

Experience

Counsel – Ashford & Wriston, LLP

Oct. 2022 – Present

- Practice areas include litigation, appeals, land use, real property, corporate law, government affairs, and energy infrastructure financing.

Judicial Law Clerk – Intermediate Court of Appeals

Hon. Sonja M. P. McCullen

Oct. 2021 – July 2022

Hon. Lisa M. Ginoza (Interim)

Sept. 2021 – Oct. 2021

Hon. Clyde J. Wadsworth

Oct. 2020 – Sept. 2021

- Worked with judges, performed legal research, and drafted bench memorandums and opinions for appeals before the Court.

Senior Legislative Advisor

Jan. 2013 – Nov. 2018

- Assisted with management and passage of legislation.
- Worked with various government, business, building trades, labor, and non-profit stakeholders to address various legislative initiatives.
- Managed the senate office’s public relations, including media releases, press conferences, and other community events.

Public Speaking Engagements, Community Involvement, and Other Experience

- Hawaii State Judiciary’s Courts in the Community Program, steering committee member.
- 26th Hawai‘i Conservation Conference, *The Nexus Between Conservation and Affordable Housing*, student presenter.
- Land Use Research Foundation, Extern
- Building Industry Association of Hawai‘i, Extern
- Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Member; Committee on Government Affairs, Member
- Honolulu Japanese Junior Chamber of Commerce, Member
- American Judicature Society, Member

Office of the City Clerk
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
STATE OF HAWAII

Voter Certificate

I, Glen I. Takahashi, City Clerk of the City & County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii do hereby certify that,

RYAN M. TOYOMURA

a resident of the City and County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii is a duly registered elector (voter) of

Precinct, 03 Representative District, 31 State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 1212491 Registration Date: 04/29/2002

Date of Birth

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of Honolulu to be affixed on August 13, 2024.

Signature Block

Signature of Elector

Glen I. Takahashi, City Clerk
City and County of Honolulu
State of Hawaii