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CITY COUNCIL

NOMINATION AND/OR APPOINTMENT TRANSMITTAL

DATE: February 11, 2025

TO: OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, COMMITTEE AIDE TO

Executive Management
STANDING COMMITTEE

FROM: Tommy Waters
COUNCILMEMBER

SUBJECT: Sommerset Yamamoto TO THE
NOMINEE OR APPOINTEE NAME

Charter Commission
COMMISSION/AGENCY

The above-referenced individual is my proposed nomination and/or appointment for the subject Commission/Agency for consideration by your assigned Committee.

☒ Nomination form attached

☒ Resume attached



Councilmember signature

cc: Councilmembers

One form per nominee or appointee
(Rev. 1/7/15)

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM

1. Position Nominated to: Charter Commission

2. Name: Sommerset Keani Mie Yamamoto
(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? Yes

4. Occupation: Senior Project Manager

5. Name and address of employer or firm:
Kamehameha Schools
567 S. King Street, Ste. 200, Honolulu, HI 96813

6. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes
If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:
"No" in terms of being contracted by the City and County of Honolulu.
"Yes" in relation to KS seeking permitting from the City and County of Honolulu.

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? Yes
If yes, provide details:
The Wilhelm Group - part time

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:

Please see attached resume.

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):

Please see attached resume.

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

Please see attached resume.

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?

I believe a commissioner' s duty is to review the Honolulu Charter, engage the cc and propose amendments that ensure the Charter continues to guide Oahu for ge come. This includes holding regular meetings, seeking community input, doing cri and working with other Commissioners to put forth the best proposals for our resic

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.

(Signature) 01/28/2025 (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.

Sommerset Keani Mie Yamamoto

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Hawai'i Bar No. 10233

EDUCATION

William S. Richardson School of Law — Honolulu, HI
Juris Doctor, magna cum laude — May 2014
- University of Hawai'i Law Review — Class Rank: 11/117
- Native American Moot Court Team
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Criminal Justice, and Legal Practice II

The George Washington University — Washington, DC
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Criminal Justice, magna cum laude — May 2011

Kamehameha Schools – Kapālama High School — May 2008

WORK EXPERIENCE

Kamehameha Schools, Honolulu, HI — July 2024 - Present
Senior Project Manager

Honolulu City Council – Council Support Services, Honolulu, HI
Council Support Services Chief of Staff — November 2022 – July 2024
Director of Policy and Communications — January 2021 – November 2022

Hawaii Green Growth Local2030 Hub, Honolulu, HI — January 2021 – November 2021
Aloha+ Community Engagement Coordinator

Kamehameha Schools, Honolulu, HI
Senior Policy Analyst — April 2018 – November 2021
Community and Government Relations Specialist — October 2016 – April 2018

Damon Key Leong Kupchak Hastert, Honolulu, HI — May 2017 – December 2018
Associate Attorney — September 2014 – October 2016

William S. Richardson School of Law, Honolulu, HI
Criminal Justice and Hawai'i Innocence Project Teaching Assistant — August 2012 – May 2014
Law School Visit Coordinator — August 2012 – May 2014

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Board Positions

- University of Hawai'i Regents Candidate Advisory Committee - Vice Chair (2016 - 2021); Secretary (2012-2015)
- Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association – First Vice President (2016 – 2020); Director (2015 – 2016)
- Volunteer Legal Services Hawai'i – Board Member (2016 – 2019)
- Young Lawyers' Division – O'ahu Director (2015 – 2017)

Community Service

- St. Nick Project (Houseless Outreach) Co-Lead (2017 – Present)
- Crisis Text Line – Certified Crisis Text Counselor (2020 – Present)

PUBLICATION

Zachary DiIonno & Sommerset Wong, Winner, *Best Appellate Brief in the 2013 Native American Law Student Association Moot Court Competition*, 38 Am. Indian L. Rev. 305 (2014)

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,

SOMMERSET K.M. YAMAMOTO

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

Precinct, 01 Representative District, 50 State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 1365183 Registration Date: 10/14/2011

Date of Birth [redacted]

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of Honolulu to be affixed on January 31, 2025.

[redacted]

Signature of Elector



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

This certificate expires at the earlier of either the date the named elector relinquishes the voter residence associated with this certificate or after the next scheduled Hawaii General election after the affixed issuance date.