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March 25, 2025

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 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. John Uno as an engineer/architect member of the Building Board of Appeals. Mr. Uno will fill a vacant position and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2029. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Mr. Uno's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

I have enclosed Mr. Uno's personal information form for your review. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my executive assistant, Kevan Wong, at 768-6608.

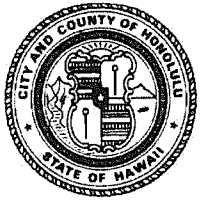
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Blangiardi". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

Enclosure

cc: Mr. John Uno
Department of Planning and Permitting
Building 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 JOHN UNO TO SERVE ON THE BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 16-1.1(13), Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("ROH"), establishes the Building Board of Appeals ("Board") consisting of nine members who are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council to five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-1.1(13), ROH, provides that the Board has the duties of hearing and determining the following:

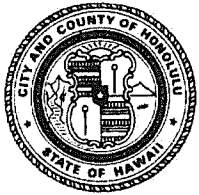
- (1) Appeals of decisions regarding the administration of the Building Code, Electrical Code, Plumbing Code, Housing Code, Fire Code, Building Energy Efficiency Standards, and building permit ordinance;
- (2) Petitions for variances from the Building Code, Electrical Code, Plumbing Code, Fire Code, and Building Energy Efficiency Standards;
- (3) Appeals of decisions regarding the administrative enforcement of the litter control ordinance; and
- (4) Appeals concerning the summary removal of unlawful signs from street rights-of-way and public malls;

and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's letter, dated March 25, 2025, the Mayor has appointed Mr. John Uno to the Building Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Mr. Uno will be appointed as an Engineer/Architect member on the Building Board of Appeals and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-1.1(13), ROH, establishes a general qualification requiring four members of the board to be "currently licensed as engineers or architects with the State of Hawaii board of registration of professional engineers, architects, land surveyors, and landscape architects"; and



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WHEREAS, Section 13-103(a), Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973, as amended, which applies to the Board, requires a member to be a registered voter of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Mr. Uno's qualifications and finds that Mr. Uno qualifies to serve on the Board and deserves confirmation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body confirms the appointment of Mr. John Uno to the Building Board of Appeals for a term to expire on December 31, 2029; and

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

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Chair of the Building Board of Appeals, and Mr. John Uno.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

John S. Uno

SUMMARY

Principal, Group Manager, Project Manager, and Structural Engineer with over 20 years of consulting experience. Mr. Uno's clients include Federal, State, and County governments, commercial, and private entities in Hawaii, Guam, Japan, and Okinawa.

LICENSE Registered Professional Structural Engineer, PE-13255 (Hawaii) Jan 2009

EDUCATION University of Hawaii at Manoa, M.S. in Civil Engineering (Structural) Fall 2004
University of Hawaii at Manoa, B.S. in Civil Engineering Summer 2002

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Structural Group Manager, SSFM International Sep 2023 to Present

- Managing a staff of over thirty employees in Hawaii, Guam, and Manila
- Internal Leadership: Responsible for cultivating group morale, aligning group goals with corporate goals, serving as a conduit between Corporate Management and staff
- Operations Management: Responsible for enforcing compliance with company policies, standards, and quality control, conflict resolution, staff retention, and onboarding
- Business Development and Marketing: Responsible for identifying client and project pursuits, leading positioning efforts, developing and managing client relationships, developing and maintaining market strategies, networking with community, industry, and Government organizations, and career outreach
- Financial Management: Responsible for maintaining internal profitability targets, monitoring financial projections and financial performance, preparing annual budgets, maintaining monthly and annual financial records
- Structural Designer of Record for new structures and repairs and renovations of existing structures for State, City, and commercial facilities
- Jobsite Safety Officer responsible for developing and implementing site safety plans

Owner and Principal, MKE Associates LLC Jan 2019 to Jun 2023

- Managed a staff of eleven employees
- Human Resource Manager responsible for hiring new employees, developing internships, and career outreach
- Marketing and Business Development Manager responsible for expanding online presence, developing new client relationships, and diversifying clientele
- Manager for Federal Government design contracts, acquired a USACE prime consultant structural design contract, structural subconsultant on multiple IDIQs
- Structural Designer of Record for new structures and repairs and renovations of existing structures for State, City, and commercial facilities
- Bridge Inspection Manager responsible for acquiring and maintaining State and City contracts, managing field inspections, and reviewing reports as Team Leader
- Chief Information/Technology Officer responsible for creating company website, managing workstations, servers, firewalls, and network hardware, managing software, updating network security, and implementing virtual work due to COVID-19 pandemic
- Jobsite Safety Officer responsible for developing and implementing site safety plans

John S. Uno

Project Manager and Structural Engineer, Moffatt & Nichol Jan 2016 thru Jan 2019

- Responsible for the structural design of Federal Government structures, including piers, wharves, offices, magazines, and maintenance facilities in Hawaii, Guam, Japan, and Okinawa
- Managed team members in multiple offices and different time zones
- Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Design of Federal Government Facilities
- Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Federal Government Facilities
- Participation in FACD and Design Charrettes in Hawaii and overseas
- Experience with Design-Build and Design-Bid-Build Project Delivery Methods
- Responsible for Local Information Technology / Computer Network Management

Structural Engineer, Consulting Structural Hawaii, Inc. Oct 2004 to Dec 2015

- Structural Design of Federal, Commercial, and Residential Structures
- Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection of Federal Government Facilities
- Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Federal Government Facilities
- Hurricane Shelter Hardening for City & County of Honolulu Public Schools
- Participation in FACD and Design Charrettes in Hawaii and overseas
- Experience With Design-Build and Design-Bid-Build Project Delivery Methods
- Responsible for Information Technology / Computer Network Management
- Computer Aided Drafting Manager

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Structural Engineers Association of Hawaii, 2021 President
- American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii, 2022 Emerging Leaders Program
- American Society of Civil Engineers
- American Institute of Steel Construction

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Envision Sustainability Professional (ENV SP)
- 40-hr Construction Safety Hazard Awareness Course for Contractors and Project Designers (expires February 2024)
- 30-hr Occupational Safety and Health Training Course in Construction Safety and Health (Issued January 2010)
- FHWA/NHI Course 130055, Safety Inspection of In-Service Bridges, 2011
- FHWA/NHI Course 130053V, Bridge Inspection Refresher Training, 2022
- FHWA/NHI Course 130078, Fracture Critical inspection Techniques for Steel Bridges, 2022
- FHWA/NHI Course 130110, Tunnel Safety Inspection, 2022
- Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED, 2022

1. Position Nominated to: Building Board of Appeals
2. Name: John S. Uno
(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? No
4. Occupation: Structural Engineer
5. Name and address of employer or firm:
SSFM International
501 Sumner Street, Suit 620, Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
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:

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 at Manoa - Masters Degree in Civil Engineering

University of Hawaii at Manoa - Bachelors Degree in Civil Engineering

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):

SSFM (Sep 2023 to Present), MKE Associates LLC (Jan 2019 to Jun 2023)

Moffatt & Nichol (Jan 2016 to Jan 2019)

Consulting Structural Hawaii (Oct 2004 to Dec 2015)

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

Structural Engineers Association of Hawaii (2021 President)

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

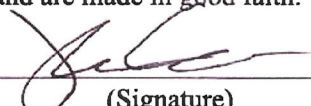
20. Are you regularly away from Honolulu? No If yes, please explain:

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?

The Building Board of Appeals hears and determines appeals from the descission of the
Director of DPP in the administration of the Building Code, Electrical Code, Plumbing
Code, Housing Code, Energy Code, Building Energy Efficiency Standards, and Revised
Ordinances of Honolulu Chapter 18 and fire official in administration of the Fire Code.

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)

2/10/2025

(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.

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,

JOHN S. UNO

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

Precinct, 04 Representative District, 18 State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 1122532 Registration Date: 07/18/1994

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 March 25, 2025.

Signature Block

Signature of Elector

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