

Nā Hoa Kānāwai

The Quarterly Newsletter of the Hawai'i Supreme Court Law Library (SCLL)

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CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK 2026

The Supreme Court Law Library invites you to their virtual Wolters Kluwer VitalLaw training taking place on Wednesday, April 22nd at noon via Zoom.

Wolters Kluwer VitalLaw is a legal research platform providing trusted content that includes access to 13 Print Titles, 545+ Online Titles, 25 Practice Areas, and an Expert AI tool to help leverage legal research by surveying the Vital Law platform and providing vetted and reliable legal information..

Wolters Kluwer

- 300+ *Treatise & Explanations*
- 55+ *Practice Tools*
- 50+ *Current Awareness*
- 45+ *Reporters*
- 70+ *Other Resources, Guides, Forms & Bundles*

Antitrust Law	Banking & Consumer Finance	Bankruptcy Law	Corporate Governance & Transactions	Corporation Law
Cybersecurity & Privacy	Elder & Estates Law	Employee Benefits	Employment Law	Environment & Energy Law
Family Law	Government Contracts	Health Law	Human Resources	Intellectual Property
Labor & Employment Law	Litigation	Payroll	Pension & Benefits	Pension Law
Practice of Law	Property and Construction Law	Privacy & Cybersecurity	Securities Law	Transportation Law

If you are interested in attending, send the library an email at LawLibrary@courts.hawaii.gov and the library will add you to the invitation list. Invites will be sent at a later date with the registration information.

Can't attend the live training during Library Week? A recording of the session will be posted to the library website following the training.

Our newsletter title incorporates 'ōlelo Hawai'i with the phrase "Nā Hoa Kānāwai" which translates to "Friends of the Law." Mahalo to our King Kamehameha V Judiciary History Center friends and colleagues who diligently helped us with this translation. We want to be intentional about including and encouraging our colleagues and the public to learn more about 'ōlelo Hawai'i, the native language of where we live, learn, and conduct legal research. If you're interested in learning Hawaiian language, check out [this KSBE article](#) with suggested resources.

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GET THE LEGAL LOW DOWN - ASK YOUR LEGAL QUESTION

In partnership with local Hawai'i licensed attorneys, the library is launching a new video series, *Get the Legal Low Down - Ask Your Legal Question*. Individuals with a legal concern related to a family court or civil court matter are welcome to submit their questions to the library **via Google Form**. A volunteer attorney will answer questions via videos to be posted on the library's video channel.

Personal information of individuals will not be included or displayed in the videos. Volunteer attorneys will provide legal information based on their knowledge and experience. While we cannot guarantee that all questions will be chosen for the video series, we will do our best to respond.

Disclaimer: Attorneys are not soliciting business nor providing legal advice; they provide legal information only.

For questions about the *Get the Legal Low Down* video series, send an email inquiry to LawLibrary@courts.hawaii.gov

GET THE LEGAL LOW DOWN - ASK YOUR LEGAL QUESTION

Submit your legal question about a civil court or family court matter via Google Forms



Volunteer attorneys will provide legal information based on their knowledge and experience through the **Hawai'i Supreme Court Law Library's Video Series**



Scan the QR code to access the Google Form and get more details



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For questions, contact the Supreme Court Law Library, email: LawLibrary@courts.hawaii.gov or visit our website at histatelawlibrary.com



Year unknown: Law Library in its 2nd floor location

UPCOMING 2026 CELEBRATION - SUPREME COURT LAW LIBRARY'S 175TH ANNIVERSARY!

2026 marks a huge milestone for the Supreme Court Law Library with the library celebrating 175 years of service to the Hawai'i State Judiciary and broader legal community.

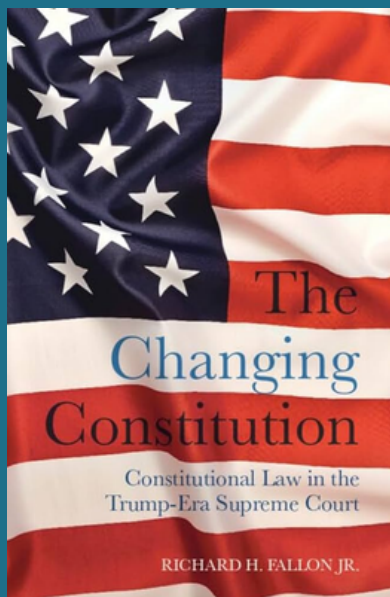
Plans are in the works to commemorate the occasion with a gathering in October 2026 with featured speakers, library swag, and celebratory cupcakes.

For anyone interested in joining the festivities, send an email to LawLibrary@courts.hawaii.gov to be placed on the invitation list.

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New Acquisitions



Fallon, Richard. H. Jr. *The Changing Constitution*.
American Bar Association
[KF 4550F44 2025]

Explores the constitutional law of the US as reflected in decisions of the Supreme Court.

THE LIBRARY AND THE COMMUNITY

Margaret Setliff started at the library in 1962 and during her time as the Law Librarian her main goal was outreach. Now that the library was more established and open to the public, Margaret began connecting with the legal community, not only in Hawai'i but the mainland as well.

The distribution of the Hawai'i reporters was under the law library's duties and they used this to their advantage. Margaret reached out to mainland publishers to exchange the Hawai'i reporters for old or missing materials. She also began to exchange state reports, session laws, and statutes with other state law libraries.

Further, she began communication with the Hawai'i State Bar Association and urged them to encourage members to make both monetary and book donations. She suggested that attorneys or law firms could donate to the library in the form of paying for legal subscriptions to law reviews

The book budget for the library was always in flux and oftentimes used to purchase materials that the library was missing, rather than new books to add to the collection. Having materials that were out of date meant they wouldn't be usable for lawyers or members of the Judiciary. But setting up these exchanges for materials and with donations from the HSBA, meant that the library's collection was able to stay up to date and expand without needing to dip into the budget.

Did You Know...

that the Library of Congress has an archive of all their past webinars and recorded event panels on their YouTube channel? Click [here](#) to learn more!

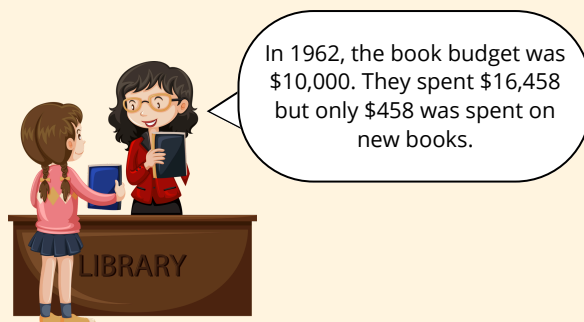
Dates to Watch:

The Library will be closed in observance of the following Hawai'i State holidays:

Prince Kūhiō Day - March 26

Good Friday - April 3

Memorial Day - May 25



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Do you have something you'd like to share? Your thoughts and suggestions would be greatly appreciated! Send us recommended ideas for articles or content to be included in future issues. We also welcome any tips on how we can improve our newsletter and your reading experience. Tell us [here!](#)