



**Judicial Selection Commission**  
**State of Hawai'i**

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**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR RETENTIONS**  
**HONORABLE BERT I. AYABE**

The Judicial Selection Commission announces that the term of the Honorable Bert I. Ayabe as Circuit Judge, Circuit Court of the First Circuit (island of O'ahu), State of Hawai'i, will expire on June 9, 2014.

In accordance with article VI, section 3 of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, Judge Ayabe petitioned the Commission to be retained in judicial office and to be renewed for an additional term. The Constitution of the State of Hawai'i empowers the Commission to determine whether Judge Ayabe should be retained in judicial office for an additional term of ten years.

The Commission invites interested persons to submit written comments and/or fill out an evaluation form on whether Judge Ayabe should be retained in judicial office for a new term. All written comments and evaluations will be kept CONFIDENTIAL.

Please visit the Commission's website and fill out form JS-P-081, the [Judicial Evaluation Retention Form](#). Written comments and/or form JS-P-081 must be postmarked or faxed by **Wednesday, February 19, 2014** to:

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