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Re: ODC 18-0339

James F. Evers, Complainant

Dear Mr. Kaiama:

This is to inform you that the Office of Disciplinary Counsel ("ODC") has received a complaint from Mr. Evers, alleging that you may have committed an ethical violation. A copy of the complaint is enclosed for your review.

Under the Disciplinary Board's Rules ("DBR"), we are required to "assume[] the facts to be true" and seek your response [DBR Rules 13 and 14]. Because the factual allegations have been made, we require your response before making any decision regarding possible early disposition, and at this stage of the investigation, we have likely formed no opinion.

Therefore, we ask that you provide our office with a detailed written response by <u>Monday</u>, <u>February 25</u>, <u>2019</u>. If you are unable to respond in a timely manner, or have other questions, please contact me **prior** to above date by telephone at 808-469-4040 or by email at josiah.k.sewell@dbhawaii.org

It would also be helpful if you limited your response to a professional, factual recitation and provide supporting evidence

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where available. Aspersions as to the complainant's character are generally unhelpful to our Board members, who make dispositional decisions, and who will be considering the extent of your cooperation and candor with ODC.

While we are sensitive to the disruption these inquiries may cause, your cooperation is anticipated and very much appreciated. We also need to remind you that Hawai'i licensed attorneys are required to cooperate and participate in disciplinary investigations and proceedings pursuant to Hawai'i Rules of Professional Conduct Rules ("HRPC") 8.1(b) and 8.4(g).

Additionally, rest assured that this complaint and your response, along with this entire inquiry, will remain confidential and sealed, barring one of the exceptions provided in the Rules of the Supreme Court of Hawai'i Rule 2.22(a).

Finally, per office policy, we have enclosed information concerning the Hawai'i Attorneys and Judges Assistance Program.

Sincerely,

JOSIAH K. SEWELL

INVESTIGATOR

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