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1 March 2016

Excellency:

I have the honor to inform you that the *acting* Government of the Hawaiian Kingdom, through its Council of Regency, appointed David Keanu Sai, Ph.D., as Ambassador-at-large, whose commission and his curriculum vitae is enclosed herewith. Ambassador Sai also serves as *acting* Minister of the Interior and Chairman of the Council of Regency. During his absence from the Hawaiian Kingdom, I serve as Chairman of the Council. The Council of Regency has designated Ambassador Sai, as Agent for proceedings at the United Nations Security Council. Ambassador Sai also served as Agent for the Hawaiian Kingdom in *Larsen v. Hawaiian Kingdom* held under the auspices of the Permanent Court of Arbitration from 1999 to 2001, which I have enclosed herewith a copy of the case view from the Permanent Court of Arbitration's case repository.

In communicating the foregoing information, I have the honor to request Your Excellency to receive Ambassador Sai favorably, and to give full confidence to what he shall say on behalf of the Hawaiian Kingdom, more especially to the assurances, which I have charged him to convey to Your Excellency of the request of this Government.

I avail myself of this occasion to convey to Your Excellency the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

Peter Umialiloa Sai  
*acting* Minister of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Ismael Abraao Gaspar Martins  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for Angola  
President, Security Council

Enclosures

# Council of Regency,

Acting Cabinet Council of the Hawaiian Islands:

To Dr. David Keanu Sai, Ph.D. Greeting:

Know ye, that this Executive Office, reposing special trust and confidence in your wisdom, integrity and fidelity, have constituted and appointed you *Ambassador-at-large*, to faithfully discharge and perform all the duties pertaining to said Office, under the Constitution and Laws of the Kingdom, and to hold office as such during this Office's pleasure: And all persons are hereby ordered to respect this your authority.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the Kingdom to be affixed this 1 day of August A.D. 2012.

Peter Umialiloa Sai,  
Vice-Chairman of the Council of Regency,  
Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs

By the Council

Kau'i P. Sai-Dudoit,  
Acting Minister of Finance

## Curriculum Vitae

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**DAVID KEANU SAI, PH.D.**



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### **EXPERTISE:**

International relations, state sovereignty, international laws of occupation, United States constitutional law, Hawaiian constitutional law, and Hawaiian land titles.

### **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Dec. 2008: Ph.D. in Political Science specializing in international law, state sovereignty, international laws of occupation, United States constitutional law, and Hawaiian constitutional law, University of Hawai`i, Manoa, H.I.
- Doctoral dissertation titled, "American Occupation of the Hawaiian Kingdom: Beginning the Transition from Occupied to Restored State."
- May 2004: M.A. in Political Science specializing in International Relations, University of Hawai`i, Manoa, H.I.
- May 1987: B.A. in Sociology, University of Hawai`i, Manoa, H.I.
- May 1984: A.A. in Pre-Business, New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N.M., U.S.
- May 1982: Diploma, Kamehameha Schools, Honolulu, H.I.

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

Book, "Ua Mau Ke Ea-Sovereignty Endures: An Overview of the Political and Legal History of the Hawaiian Islands." (Pu`a Foundation, Honolulu, 2011).

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Article, “1893 Cleveland-Lili`uokalani Executive Agreements.” November 28, 2009, unpublished, online at <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~anu/publications.html>.

Article, “Establishing an Acting Regency: A Countermeasure Necessitated to Preserve the Hawaiian State.” November 28, 2009, unpublished, online at <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~anu/publications.html>.

Book, “Land Titles in the Hawaiian Islands: From Origins to the Present (forthcoming).” Contract signed with University of Hawai`i Press, May 7, 2009.

Article, “The Myth of Ceded Lands and the State’s Claim to Perfect Title.” *Ka Wai Ola o OHA Newspaper*, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, April 2009.

Dissertation, “American Occupation of the Hawaiian Kingdom: Beginning the Transition from Occupied to Restored State,” University of Hawai`i at Manoa, Political Science, December 2008, online at <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~anu/publications.html>.

Article, “A Slippery Path towards Hawaiian Indigeneity: An Analysis and Comparison between Hawaiian State Sovereignty and Hawaiian Indigeneity and its Use and Practice in Hawai`i Today,” *Journal of Law and Social Challenges* (San Francisco School of Law), Vol. 10 (Fall 2008), online at <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~anu/publications.html>.

Book Review for “Kahana: How the Land was Lost,” *The Contemporary Pacific: A Journal of Island Affairs*, Vol. 15, No. 1 (2005), online at <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~anu/publications.html>.

Article, “Experts Validate Legitimacy of International Law Case.” *Ka Wai Ola o OHA Newspaper*, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, August 2004.

“American Occupation of the Hawaiian State: A Century Unchecked,” *Hawaiian Journal of Law and Politics*, vol. 1 (Summer 2004), online journal at: <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~hslp/journal.html>.

Article, “The Indian Commerce Clause sheds Light on Question of Federal Authority over Hawaiians,” *Ka Wai Ola o OHA Newspaper*, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, September 2003.

Article, “Before Annexation: Sleight of Hand—Illusion of the Century.” *Ka Wai Ola o OHA Newspaper*, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, July 1998.

“Unpublished Short Essays” on line at <http://hawaiiankingdom.org/info-nationals.shtml>

- “The Hawaiian Kingdom: A Constitutional Monarchy”
- “The Relationship between the Hawaiian Kingdom and the United States”
- “Revisiting the Fake Revolution of January 17, 1893”
- “What does TWA Flight 800 and the Hawaiian Kingdom have in Common”
- “American Migration to the Hawaiian Kingdom and the Push for State into the American Union”
- “Hawaiian Nationality: Who Comprises the Hawaiian Citizenry?”

- “The Vision of the *acting* Council of Regency”

#### **VIDEO/RADIO:**

Video: “Ka‘apuni Honua, KS Song Contest Preshow,” *Kamehameha Schools Song Contest*, KGMB television, March 21, 2014.

Video: “Hawai‘i and the Law of Occupation.” *Lecture Series of the Kaleimaileali ‘i Hawaiian Civic Club*, ‘Olelo Community Television, March 11, 2009.

Video: “Title Insurance and Land Ownership in Hawai‘i.” *Lecture Series of the Kaleimaileali ‘i Hawaiian Civic Club*, ‘Olelo Community Television, February 4, 2009.

Video: “What are Ceded Lands?” *Lecture Series of the Kaleimaileali ‘i Hawaiian Civic Club*, ‘Olelo Community Television, December 22, 2009.

Video: “Hawaiian Kingdom Law and Succession.” *Lecture Series of the Kaleimaileali ‘i Hawaiian Civic Club*, ‘Olelo Community Television, November 16, 2008.

Video: “Kamehameha I: From Chiefly to British Governance.” *Lecture Series of the Kaleimaileali ‘i Hawaiian Civic Club*, ‘Olelo Community Television, July 23, 2008.

Internet Radio: “The Gary Baumgarten Report News Talk Online: Hawaii ‘Kingdom’ Proponent Makes Case For An Independent Hawai‘i.” Guest on a daily talk internet radio show, <http://garybaumgarten.blogspot.com/2008/04/hawaii-kingdom-proponent-makes-case-for.html>, April 11, 2008.

Radio: “Talk Story with Uncle Charlie.” Guest on a weekly talk radio show. *KNUI AM 900*, Kahului, January 23, 2004.

Radio: “Perspective,” co-host with Keaumiki Akui for a weekly talk radio show concerning Hawaiian political history. *KCCN AM 1420*, Honolulu, 1999-2001.

Video: “Hawaiian Kingdom Law a Presentation.” *Na Maka o ka Aina*, 1999.

Video: Segments of *Aloha Quest* (six-hour broadcast), KFVE television, Honolulu, December 19, 1999.

- “The Hawaiian Kingdom”
- “What is a Hawaiian subject”
- “Attempted Overthrow of 1893”
- “The Annexation that Never Was”
- “Internal Laws of the United States”
- “Supreme Courts and International Courts”
- “U.S. Senate debate: Apology resolution, Oct. 1993”

## **MILITARY:**

- Aug. 1994: Honourably Discharged
- Dec. 1990: Diploma, *U.S. Army Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course*, Fort Sill, OK
- May 1990: Promoted to Captain (O-3)
- Apr. 1990: Diploma, *U.S. Air Force Air Ground Operations School*, Hurlbert Field, FL
- May 1987: Promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant (O-2)
- Sep. 1987: Diploma, *U.S. Army Field Artillery Officer Basic Course*, Fort Sill, OK
- Sep. 1984: Assigned to *1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 487<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery*, Hawai`i Army National Guard, Honolulu, H.I.
- May 1984: Army Reserve Commission, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant (O-1), Early Commissioning Program (ECP) from the New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, NM

## **GOVERNMENT SERVICE:**

- March 1996: Appointed Regent, *pro tempore*, by the Trustees of the Hawaiian Kingdom Trust Company
- Sep. 1999: Named *acting* Minister of the Interior and Chairman of the *acting* Council of Regency by resolution of the Privy Council
- Nov. 1999: Agent for the *acting* Government in arbitral proceedings before the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague, Netherlands (*Larsen v. Hawaiian Kingdom*)
- July 2001: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file a Complaint against the United States of America with the United Nations Security Council on July 5, 2001
- Aug. 2012: Commissioned Ambassador-at-large for the Hawaiian Kingdom by the *acting* Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Aug. 2012: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file a Protest and Demand with the United Nations General Assembly, August 10, 2012
- June 2013: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file a State Referral with the International Criminal Court, June 11, 2013
- Sept. 2013: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file an Application Instituting Proceedings before the International Court of Justice, September 27, 2013

## **GENERAL DATA:**

Nobility confirmed by the Board of Genealogy of Hawaiian Chiefs, established by *An Act to Perpetuate the Genealogy of the Chiefs of Hawai`i*, 1880, (see attached genealogies)

Maternal: Chiefly line of Lua‘apana Simerson  
Paternal: Chiefly line of Lucy Pohaiali‘i Ko‘i‘i  
Nationality: Hawaiian  
Born: July 13, 1964, Honolulu, H.I.

**GENEALOGIES OF DAVID KEANU SAI, PH.D.**

Laws of His Majesty Kalakaua, King of the Hawaiian Islands,  
passed by the Legislative Assembly, at its Session, 1880.

*An Act to Perpetuate the Genealogy of the Chiefs of Hawai'i*

WHEREAS, it is provided by the 22d Article of the Constitution\* that the kings of Hawai'i shall be chosen from the native chiefs of the kingdom;

AND WHEREAS, at the present day it is difficult to ascertain who are the chiefs, as contemplated by said Article of the Constitution, and it is proper that such genealogies of the kingdom be perpetuated, and also the history of the chiefs and kings from ancient times down to the present day, which would also be a guide to the King in the appointment of Nobles in the Legislative Assembly, therefore,

*Be it Enacted by the King and the Legislative Assembly of the Hawaiian Islands, in the Legislature of the Kingdom assembled:*

SECTION 1. His Majesty the King in Cabinet Council shall appoint some proper person or persons to collect from genealogical books, and from the knowledge of old people the history and genealogy of the Hawaiian chiefs, and shall publish a book of the doings of such Board, which shall be called "The Board of Genealogy of Hawaiian Chiefs," during such time as it may be in session.

SECTION 2. The Minister of Interior is hereby authorized to pay the members of said Board at a rate not exceeding two dollars per day, and for all the other expenses of the said Board, not exceeding two thousand dollars, which sum shall include the purchase of books, travelling expenses, paper, pens, ink, books, and so forth, for searching for ancient things which have been lost or concealed in places of concealment, and for ascertaining the places of sepulture of the ancient chiefs, where their bones are now concealed; which sum shall be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated by the Appropriation Bill.

SECTION 3. Said Board may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for them and for their work, and shall submit the same to His Majesty the King in Cabinet Council before commencing their duties.

SECTION 4. This Act shall become a law from the date of its approval.

Approved on the 9th day of August, A. D. 1880.

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\* Article 22 states in pertinent part: "should...the Throne...become vacant, then the Cabinet Council, immediately after the occurring of such vacancy, shall cause a meeting of the Legislative Assembly, who shall elect by ballot some native Alii of the Kingdom as Successor to the Throne; and the Successor so elected shall become a new Stirps for a Royal Family; and the succession from the Sovereign thus elected, shall be regulated by the same law as the present Royal Family of Hawai'i."



The Board of Genealogy of Hawaiian Chiefs of the Hawaiian Kingdom confirmed Mrs. Lua'apana Simerson and Mrs. Lucy Pohaiali'i Ko'i'i to be of Hawaiian nobility by publication in the *Ka Maka'ainana* newspaper on August 24, 1896 and September 7, 1896, respectively.

*Maternal Genealogy—Mrs. Lua'apana Simerson*

Kalua Kuakini (m) lived with Kai'ihue (f), had children: Lua'apana (f) and Keaoku (m).

Lua'apana (f) married Captain Aaron C. Simerson, had children: Rose Kekupuohi, William Kuakini and Isaac Kaleiali'i Simerson.

William Kuakini Simerson married Mary Nanea Kalaeha'o, had children: William Kukailani and Rose Kekaikuihala Simerson.

Rose Kekaikuihala Simerson married Henry Keanu Reeves had children: Henry Kukailani, Mary Nanea, Martha Kekaikuihala, Sylvia Keanu, Robert Kuakini, John Joseph Pahau, and Susan Luluka Reeves.

Mary Nanea Reeves married Dennis Kapua Sai, had children: David Keanu, Louis Kapua, and Katherine Nanea Sai.

David Keanu Sai, Ph.D., married Rosanne Kahikinaokalani Kenoi, had children: Klayton Kapuaakeanu Ki'ilaweau, Kawika, Kihaakeanu Sai

*Paternal Genealogy—Mrs. Lucy Pohaiali'i Ko'i'i*

John Ko'i'i lived with Keahuaokalani, had child: Lucy Pohaiali'i Ko'i'i

Lucy Pohaiali'i Ko'i'i lived with Peter Doiron, had children: Julia Kapapaku'iali'i Kalaninuipoaimoku and Moses Ko'i'i Luhaukapewa

Julia Julia Kapapaku'iali'i Kalaninuipoaimoku Doiron with *unknown*, had child: Adelle Kekaiuloakapoaimoku Kaili

Adelle Kekaiuloakapoaimoku Kaili with *unknown*, had child: David Kauahiaalailani Kaili.

David Kauahiaalailani Kaili [Sai]<sup>†</sup> and Evangeline Lihue Ikuwa had children: Ronald Levy, Dennis Kapua, Marlene Mikahala, Yvonne Momi, and Gary La'amea Sai.

Dennis Kapua Sai married Mary Nanea Reeves, had children: David Keanu, Louis Kapua, and Katherine Nanea Sai.

David Keanu Sai, Ph.D., married Rosanne Kahikinaokalani Kenoi, had children: Klayton Kapuaakeanu Ki'ilaweau, Kawika, Kihaakeanu Sai

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<sup>†</sup> Before marriage took step-father's surname of "Sai."



# Permanent Court of Arbitration

## PCA Case Repository

### Larsen/Hawaiian Kingdom

Case name	Larsen/Hawaiian Kingdom
Case description	Dispute between Lance Paul Larsen (Claimant) and The Hawaiian Kingdom (Respondent) whereby a) Lance Paul Larsen, a Hawaiian subject, alleges that the Government of the Hawaiian Kingdom is in continual violation of its 1849 Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation with the United States of America, and in violation of the principles of international law laid [down] in the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, 1969, by allowing the unlawful imposition of American municipal laws over claimant's person within the territorial jurisdiction of the Hawaiian Kingdom. b) Lance Paul Larsen, a Hawaiian subject, alleges that the Government of the Hawaiian Kingdom is also in continual violation of the principles of international comity by allowing the unlawful imposition of American municipal laws over the claimant's person within the territorial jurisdiction of the Hawaiian Kingdom.
Name(s) of claimant(s)	Lance Paul Larsen ( Private entity )
Name(s) of respondent(s)	The Hawaiian Kingdom ( State )
Names of parties	
Case number	
Administering institution	Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA)
Case status	Concluded
Type of case	Other proceedings
Subject matter or economic sector	Treaty interpretation
Rules used in arbitral proceedings	UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules 1976
Treaty or contract under which proceedings were commenced	Other The 1849 Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation with the United States of America
Language of proceeding	English
Seat of arbitration (by country)	Netherlands
Arbitrator(s)	Dr. Gavan Griffith QC Professor Christopher J. Greenwood QC Professor James Crawford SC (President of the Tribunal)
Representatives of the claimant(s)	Ms. Ninia Parks, Counsel and Agent
Representatives of the respondent(s)	Mr. David Keanu Sai, Agent Mr. Peter Umialiloa Sai, First deputy agent Mr. Gary Victor Dubin, Second deputy agent and counsel
Representatives of the parties	

Number of arbitrators in case 3  
Date of commencement of proceeding [dd-mm-yyyy] 08-11-1999  
Date of issue of final award [dd-mm-yyyy] 05-02-2001  
Length of proceedings 2-3 years

Additional notes

Attachments

- **Other** -

- ["Annex 1 - President Cleveland's Message to the Senate and the House of Representatives " - 18-12-1893 \(English\)](#)
- ["Joint Resolution - To acknowledge the 100th anniversary of the January 17, 1893 overthrow of the Kingdom of Hawaii, and to offer an apology to the native Hawaiians on behalf of the United States for the overthrow of the Kingdom of Hawaii." - 23-11-1993 \(English\)](#)
- ["Case Cover Page" - 15-05-2014 \(English\)](#)

**Award or other decision**

- ["Arbitral Award" - 15-05-2014 \(English\)](#)



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