

MICHAEL CURTIS ELECTIONS COMMISSION CHAIR

STATE OF HAWAII ELECTIONS COMMISSION

NOTICE OF ELECTIONS COMMISSION MEETING

Date: Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Place: via Video Conference or Telephone*

or Office of Elections at 802 Lehua Avenue, Pearl City, HI 96782

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MEETING INFORMATION

Public Testimony

Pursuant to Section 92-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Section 3-170-11, Hawaii Administrative Rules, oral testimony may be limited to three (3) minutes at the discretion of the presiding officer and will be accepted only on matters directly related to the board agenda. Generally, each agenda item is addressed (and testimony received) in the order listed in the agenda; however, agenda items may occur out of order without notice and testimony is not accepted for completed agenda items. The Board agenda and meeting materials for this meeting are also made available for inspection on the Elections Commission website at: https://elections.hawaii.gov/about-us/boards-and-commissions/elections-commission/.

Internet Access:

If you wish to testify through the internet, please click the Raise Hand button found on your Zoom screen. Board staff will individually enable that testifier to unmute their microphone. When recognized by the Chair, please unmute your microphone before speaking and mute your microphone after you finish speaking in order to prevent audio feedback.

Phone Access:

If you wish to testify by phone, you may indicate you want to testify by entering "*" and then "9", a voice prompt will let you know that the host of the meeting has been notified. When recognized by the Chair, you may unmute yourself by pressing "*" and then "6" on your phone. A voice prompt will let you know that you are unmuted. Once you are finished speaking, please enter "*" and then "6" again to mute yourself.

Written Testimony

Pursuant to Section 3-170-11, Hawaii Administrative Rules, to ensure the public, as well as its board members, receive such testimony in a timely manner, written testimony should be submitted no later than two workdays prior to the scheduled meeting date and time. Any written testimony submitted after such time cannot be guaranteed to be distributed in time for the meeting. Written testimony may be submitted by one of the methods listed below:

- By email to: <u>elections.commission@hawaii.gov</u>
- By U.S. Postal Mail: 802 Lehua Avenue, Pearl City, HI 96782
- By facsimile to: (808) 453-6006

Written testimony submitted to the Elections Commission will be made a public record and any contact information contained therein will be available for public inspection and copying. Please do not include information in your testimony that you do not want disclosed to the public.

Public Note

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For propriety, all comments are to be addressed to the Elections Commission Chair. Arguments and side discussions will not be tolerated.

For Further Assistance

If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids and/or services to participate in the public hearing process of the Elections Commission, please contact the Office of Elections at (808) 453-8683 or toll free at 1-800-442-8683 or email elections.commission@hawaii.gov as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request.

AGENDA*

- I. Call to order
- II. Introduction of new Commissioners: James Apana, completing the term of Jeffrey Kuwada; and John Sabas, completing the term of Peter Young
- III. Roll call and determination of a quorum
- IV. Approval of written minutes from previous meetings:
 - a) July 16, 2025

Written minutes: https://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025-07-16-EC-Regular-Mtg-Minutes.pdf

Video recording: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zWvxtZwFKe8

Written summary of the video recording: https://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025-07-16-EC-Written-Summary.pdf

b) July 30, 2025

Written minutes: https://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025-07-30-EC-Regular-Mtg-Minutes.pdf

Video recording: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6obFaxrZG4Y

Written summary of the video recording: https://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025-07-30-EC-Written-Summary.pdf

c) August 27, 2025

Written minutes: https://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025-08-27-EC-Regular-Mtg-Minutes.pdf

Video recording: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03ws-44EKBA

Written summary of the video recording: https://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025-08-27-EC-Written-Summary.pdf

<u>View correspondence from Commissioner Cushnie regarding the August</u> 27, 2025 written minutes

V. Formal complaints and status of independent audit:

- a) Update from the Chief Election Officer on procedures for addressing formal complaints
- b) Update from the Chief Election Officer on status of independent audit
- VI. Discussion and decision making relating to Commissioner Andrion's Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) report on:
 - a) Complaints relating to the chain of custody of election ballots. Similar information was considered by the Hawaii Supreme Court in #SCEC-24-0000797; RALPH S. CUSHNIE and more than THIRTY VOTERS, Plaintiffs, vs. SCOTT NAGO, as Chief Elections Officer for the Office of Elections, State of Hawaii, and JADE FOUNTAIN-TANIGAWA, County Clerk for the County of Kauai, Defendants, and by the 5th Circuit Court in #5CCV-25-0000041; RALPH S. CUSHNIE, Pro Se vs. SCOTT NAGO, in his official capacity as Chief Elections Officer for the Office of Elections, State of Hawaii; JADE K. FOUNTAIN-TANIGAWA, County Clerk for the County of Kauai, State of Hawaii; and
 - b) Claims of intentional malfeasance by County and State Clerks and Elections Officers during the Kauai County Councilmember Race in the 2024 General Election.

<u>View Report on complaints relating to the chain of custody of election ballots and</u> reported irregularities in the administration of the 2024 General Election

VII. Formal complaints:

a) ECC-25-001

View complaint ECC-25-001 from AnnMarie Hamilton

b) ECC-25-002

View complaint ECC-25-002 from Ralph Cushnie

c) ECC-25-003

View complaint ECC-25-003 from Ralph Cushnie

VIII. Receipt and Presentation of PIG report from Commissioner Osterkamp on election results discrepancies on the Big Island

Discussion and decision making on report will be scheduled for a subsequent meeting.

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IX. Discussion on civility and avoiding improper coercion of Commissioners' votes

X. Adjournment

^{*}Any person may submit comments or testimony on any agenda item at the time the item is called.