

# STACIA MARIE SILVA

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## EDUCATION:

### **William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawaii at Manoa**

Honolulu, Hawaii

J.D. May 1996

- Law Alumni/Friends Golf Tournament Scholarship Award

### **University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii**

B.A. in English, May 1993

- Golden Key Honor Society
- College of Arts and Sciences Dean's List
- Phi Eta Sigma Freshman Honor Society

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## WORK EXPERIENCE:

### **Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Kaneohe, Hawaii**

*Managing Attorney*

November 2006-Present

Practice family, public benefits, housing, and consumer law; advocate for children in foster care as a guardian ad litem, including advocacy for special education services for those children; supervise staff attorneys, paralegals, law clerks, and other personnel; daily management of a small legal office.

### **Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii**

*Staff Attorney/Unit Head*

January 1997 – October 2006

Practice Social Security disability law; supervise paralegals, law clerks and other personnel with regard to Social Security disability cases; manage all aspects of Advocacy Project.

### **Hawaii Lawyers Care, Honolulu, Hawaii**

*Clinic Volunteer*

January 1996 – December 1996

Taught underprivileged clients how to prepare and file pro se divorce actions; advised individual clients regarding a variety of legal problems.

### **Legal Aid Society of Hawaii – Windward Branch, Kahaluu, Hawaii**

*Law Clerk*

January 1995 – January 1996

Drafted memoranda, motions and conducted legal research; represented clients at Social Security disability and unemployment compensation administrative hearings (winning all cases); handled family, welfare, housing and consumer cases.

### **Office of Consumer Protection, State of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii**

*Law Clerk*

Summer, 1994

Drafted memoranda, motions and conducted legal research; organized an informational pamphlet and display educating consumers regarding deceptive trade practices by jewelry merchants.

**Hawaii Review, University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii**

*Managing Editor*

May 1992 – May 1993

Handled journal subscriptions; managed journal distribution; organized literary readings;  
Answered incoming correspondence.

**Office of the Attorney General, State of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii**

Executive Intern

Summer 1992

Drafted a handbook for Commerce and Economic Development Division; conducted  
research for antitrust legislation addressing improper practices of the local petroleum  
industry.

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**ORGANIZATIONS & COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

**Advocates for Public Interest Law.** *Board of Directors* 1995-1996, 2004 – 2006

Apil is the primary organization at the William S. Richardson School of Law devoted  
to the advancement of public interest law. The Board is the main governing body.

**Hui Po`okela Mortar Board Honor Society,** *Executive Board.* 1992 - 1993

Participated in various community service projects; organized annual alumni banquet.