

## **SETH M. REISS**

Seth received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology and Chemistry from New College of Florida, a Masters degree in Biochemistry from the University of Hawaii, a Juris Doctoris degree from the University of Hawaii Richardson School of Law, and a L.L.M. degree in international and comparative law from the University of Cambridge. Seth was a member of the law review staff while at the Richardson School of Law.

Prior to forming his own firm in 2008, Seth clerked and held the position of staff attorney to the Hawaii Supreme Court, taught law at the University of Malaya, and practiced law in the public and private sectors. In the public sector Seth was a deputy public defender and deputy attorney general. In the private section Seth practiced with a small insurance defense firm, a mid-sized Honolulu generally practice firm then know as Watanabe Ing Kawashima where Seth was a partner and originated and headed the firm's intellectual property, technology and Internet law practice group, and most recently a partner and later of counsel to the Honolulu based IP boutique firm of Godbey Griffiths Reiss, LLP.

Seth practices all aspects of patent, trademark, copyright, technology and Internet law while also providing services in the areas of business law, commercial litigation and alternative dispute resolution.

In addition to being admitted to practice law in Hawaii, Seth is admitted to the California bar, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court, and is a registered patent attorney with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. He has taught intellectual property law at Richardson Law School, and has served on the boards of the Hawaii Board of Bar Examiners, the Hawaii Institute of Continuing Legal Education, the Hawaii State Bar Association's International Law Section, and the Hawaii State Bar Association's Intellectual Property and Technology Section, a section Seth co-founded and twice chaired. Seth serves on the panel of arbitrators for WIPO administered domain name disputes, on the panel of neutral to the Dispute Prevention and Resolution, an ADR center in Honolulu, is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, and a representative within on of ICANN's supporting organizations. He is a frequent speaker and writer on intellectual property, technology and Internet law topics.

## **EDUCATION**

1984	L.L.M.	International & Comparative Law, University of Cambridge, England
1980	J.D.	University of Hawai'i Richardson School of Law, Honolulu, Hawai'i
1977	M.S.	Biochemistry, University of Hawai'i, at Manoa, Hawai'i
1974	B.A.	Biology & Chemistry, New College of Florida, Sarasota, Florida

## **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

1980	Licensed to practice law in Hawai'i
1981	Licensed to practice law in California (currently inactive)
1981	Registered Patent Attorney with the USPTO
1983	Licensed before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
2003	Licensed before the Federal Circuit Court of Appeal
2003	Licensed before the U.S. Supreme Court

## **COMMUNITY POSITIONS**

2008-Present	Advisor, Eddie Aikau Foundation
2007-2009	Convener, Cambridge In America Hawai'i Chapter
2001-2005	President and Member, Board of Directors, Hawai'i Youth Opera Chorus, Honolulu, Hawai'i.
2000-2006	Member, Board of Directors, HiTech Quest, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

## **APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS**

2010-Present Neutral, Dispute Prevention and Resolution, Honolulu, Hawai`i  
2007 Honorary Fellow, Center for International Legal Studies, Salzburg, Austria  
2006-Present Fellow, American Bar Foundation  
2004-Present UDRP Panelist, World Intellectual Property Organization Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva  
2004-Present Mediator, Medication Center of the Pacific, Honolulu, Hawai`i  
2003-2006 Member, Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel  
1999 Adjunct Professor, Univ. of Hawai`i William S. Richardson School of Law  
1995-Present Member, International Law Section, Hawai`i State Bar Association  
1996-1998 Board Member, Hawai`i Institute for Continuing Legal Education  
1996-2006 Member, Asia Pacific Bar Association and its Committee on Intellectual Property  
1996-2002 Commentator, ABA Central and East European Law Institute  
1991, 2003 Chairperson and Board Member, Intellectual Property & Technology Section, Hawai`i State Bar Association  
1989-Present Arbitrator, Circuit Court Annexed Arbitration Program, Honolulu, Hawai`i  
1987-1995 Hawai`i Board of Bar Examiners  
1983 Mediator, Neighborhood Justice Center, Honolulu, Hawai`i  
1982-1983 Litigation Committee Member, Am. Civil Liberties Union of Hawai`i

## **SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS**

2011 Editor and co-author of Hawaii chapter, *Legal Aspects of Doing Business in North America*, (Center for International Legal Studies and Juris Publishing).

2008-2010 Commentator on the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, *World Intellectual Property Rights and Remedies*, (Oxford University Press).

2006, 2008 U.S. Chapter, *The Internet: Laws and Regulatory Regimes*, (Center for International Legal Studies and Yorkhill Law Publishing).

1986 *International Copyright Protection*, [1986] *Journal of Malaysian and Comparative Law* 105.

1985 *Quantum for Future Loss in Personal Injury and Fatal Accident Cases After the Civil Law Amendment Act 1984*, [1985] 2 *Malayan Law Journal* lxii.