

ThinkTechTalk: Housing in Hawaii

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Gil Barden is a real estate developer, broker, and entrepreneur focused on innovative solutions to Hawaii's housing needs. Barden has developed over 250 housing units in 10 years as a principal owner and is currently developing a 25 unit state sponsored affordable housing community in Nanakuli, Oahu called Green Homes at Lualualei.



Ann Bouslog, PhD, is president of Mikiko Corporation. She provides market, economic and strategic planning advisory services to large landholders and for complex real estate development proposals.



Representative **Rida Cabanilla** represents District 42 of the State of Hawaii, including the areas of Lower Waipahu, Ewa, West Loch, and Ewa Villages. Representative Cabanilla currently serves as the chair of the House Housing Committee, and has been working on homeless initiatives extensively with her fellow legislators as well as the community.



David Callies, the Kudo Professor of Law, William S. Richardson Law School, is the national co-editor of the Land Use and Environmental Law Review and the author of more than 70 articles and casebooks on property and land use. The second edition of his Hawaii land use book, *Regulating Paradise: Land Use Controls in Hawaii*, was published in 2010.



Christine Camp, director of Central Pacific Financial Corp, has over twenty-one years experience in real estate, and her company Avalon Group, is a full service real estate company which provides detailed financial and market analysis to a wide range of investors involved in various real estate transactions and development scenarios, and also real estate brokerage, market and financial consulting.



Hawaii State Senator **Donovan M. Dela Cruz** currently serves as the Chair of the Committee on Water, Land, and Housing. He also serves as a member of the Senate Standing Committees on Agriculture, Ways and Means, and Transportation and International Affairs.



Jenn Darrah, instructor, Harvard University, is a graduate of Punahou School, with a Bachelor of Arts (sociology) from Harvard, a Masters of Sociology from Brown, and a Ph.D in sociology from Brown.



For 20 years **Howard Dicus** was a newscaster, editor and executive at three radio networks in Washington, D.C., before moving to Hawaii and starting life anew as a business reporter. After seven years at Pacific Business News, which put his reports on KHON and Hawaii Public Radio, he joined KGMB, and now appears on HawaiiNewsNow Sunrise.



Jay Fidell, a long term business lawyer, founded ThinkTech Hawaii, a digital media company that reports on tech and energy sectors of Hawaii's economy.



Michael Flores is the director of the Office of Public Housing for the HUD Honolulu office and oversees the low-income public housing and Section 8 housing programs for Hawaii, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. Flores was formerly a HUD Community Builder serving as a key point of contact on all HUD programs in Hawaii and the outer pacific.



Robert D. Harris is the Director of the Sierra Club, Hawaii's largest and most successful grassroots environmental organization. Raised in Kailua, he received a B.A. in Chemistry/Environmental Science from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and a J.D. from the William S. Richardson School of Law.



Micah Kane serves as one of five Trustees to the Kamehameha Schools. Prior to joining Kamehameha Schools, Kane was chair of the Hawaiian Homes Commission and director of the Department of Hawaiian Home. During Kane's tenure, DHHL grew to be Hawaii's largest single-family affordable housing developer.



Mayor **Billy Kenoi** received his law degree from William S. Richardson School of Law and served as a deputy defender in the District, Family and Felony Trial Divisions. He then served as an executive assistant to Mayor Harry Kim from 2001 to 2007. In 2008 he was elected mayor of the County of Hawai'i in his first run for public office at the age of 39.



Principal and CFO of the law firm of Imanaka Kudo & Fujimoto, **Ben Kudo** presently practices in the areas of land use, real estate development, natural resources and administrative law. Previously he taught real property, land use and water law at the Richardson School of Law.



Clark Llewellyn is dean and professor of the UH School of Architecture. He has maintained an award-winning private residential design practice for almost three decades. He served on the National Board of Directors for the American Institute of Architects for three years.



Alapaki Nahalea, chairman of the Hawaiian Homes Commission, was formerly the board president and executive director of the Hawai'i Charter Schools Network. From 2003 to 2009, he was director of Ka Umeke Kaeo Hawaiian Immersion Public Charter School in Keaukaha, Hawai'i.



Emilia Noordhoek is an accredited professional in leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). She is the executive director of Sustainable Molokai, a community-based non-profit organization whose mission is to achieve a sustainable future for the island of Molokai by melding cultural understandings and traditional pathways with modern sustainability strategies.



Steve Petranik has worked in television news, news services, and newspapers and is now the editor at Hawaii Business magazine. His stories have appeared in the New York Times, Washington Post, and Los Angeles Times. He spent 18 years as an editor at the Honolulu Star-Bulletin and five years at the Honolulu Advertiser before joining Hawaii Business in Jan. 2009.



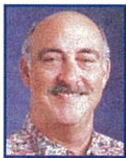
Panos Prevedouros is professor of transportation engineering at the UH-Manoa since 1990. He ran for the office of Mayor of Honolulu in 2008 and in 2010. His main focus in the last 10 years has been on sustainability, energy and transportation.



Paul Quintiliani is the director of Commercial Real Estate for Kamehameha Schools' Endowment. He presently oversees the Estate's \$2.5 billion commercial real estate portfolio in Hawaii, which constitutes approximately 15,000 acres and 290 investment properties in Hawaii.



David Rockwood is an associate professor and director of the Construction Process Innovations (CPI) Lab at the UHM School of Architecture. He serves as the principal investigator for Team Hawaii's entry for the U.S. Department of Energy 2011 Solar Decathlon.



Harry A. Saunders has more than 30 years' experience in real estate investment and is president of Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii. He is responsible for directing the company's residential, commercial and corporate real estate operations and for guiding Castle & Cooke's renewable energy initiatives on Lana'i.



Peter Savio is President and CEO of the Savio Group of Companies including Hawaiian Island Homes Ltd. and Hawaiian Island Development Co. He has more than 40 years experience in real estate development and sales in the Hawaii market. In 1980, Savio founded Savio Realty, Ltd. and subsequently its affiliated group of companies.



Lee Sichter is a principal planner with Belt Collins Hawaii. He specializes in environmental and land use policy.



Cheryl Soon, Ph.D., FAICP is a professional planner with public service and private practice experience in Hawaii and elsewhere. Her work focuses on creating infrastructure and communities through participatory decision making. She currently is director of planning at SSFM International.



Bill Spencer is the CEO of Hawaii Oceanic Technology, Inc., an ocean science company. He has pioneered software applications for server farm management, groupware computing and internet-based medical treatment management. He has served on the executive board of Hawaii Angels since its inception in 2002 and is president of Hawaii Venture Capital Association.



Jon Wallenstrom is president of Forest City Hawaii. He is involved in a Forest City partnership with the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corp. to develop Kamakana Villages at Keahuolu, a mixed-use community of 2,206 homes on the Big Island. More than half of the homes will be categorized as affordable housing.

Jun Yang, Faith Action for Community Equity



Alan Yonan has been a journalist for 30 years working for wire services and newspapers in Honolulu, Singapore, Washington D.C. and Chicago. He was the assistant business editor at the Honolulu Advertiser from 2004 until its closure last June, and now covers energy and the economy for the Star-Advertiser.