



## Winter 2019/2020 Newsletter



Aloha and Happy Holidays from HWL! HWL is incredibly grateful for the blessings and opportunities that have come to us in the past year, and we especially thank all of you, our members, for making it such a memorable one. HWL is proud to have been able to provide several incredible programs in the last few months, including, but not limited to, a service project at a domestic violence shelter, the return of the “So You Want to be a Judge” series, and a practical workshop on addressing and responding to sexual harassment.

As we celebrate the holidays, we also remember to serve those who are less fortunate than us. We ask you to continue to contribute to HWL’s Annual After-Holidays Goodies Drive, which ends on January 17, 2020.

Looking forward to the New Year, HWL is proud to announce that it will be co-sponsoring a series of events in January featuring Christine Pelosi and her latest book, *“The Nancy Pelosi Way: Advice on Success, Leadership and Politics from America’s Most Powerful Woman.”* Other sponsors include the Patsy T. Mink PAC, the House & Senate Women Caucuses, Planned Parenthood, and the Democratic Party of Hawaii Women’s Caucus. Christine is an attorney and advocate currently serving as counsel for We Said Enough and partner at IMPACT. She has also worked as a Deputy City Attorney and Assistant District Attorney in San Francisco, special counsel to HUD in the Clinton-Gore administration, and a chief of staff on Capitol Hill. Elected as California Democratic Party Women’s Caucus Chair and Democratic National Committee Executive Committeewoman, we are incredibly lucky to have this opportunity to meet her, and we encourage all of you to attend at least one of the events.

Christine will be here on her book tour from January 17 – January 20. There are a number of events scheduled; while a bullet point list of the events is included here, please see below for additional information and details on RSVPs. There will be additional e-mails forthcoming as Christine’s team finalizes the events.

- January 17, 2020: Book Signing and “Talk Story” at Planned Parenthood (see below for the invitation).
- January 18, 2020: Boot Camp for Candidates. This event is specifically targeted towards candidates and potential candidates interested in running for political office. Formal invitation to follow.
- January 18, 2020: Private dinner with Christine at Tango Restaurant, specifically for guests of the Patsy T. Mink PAC, Planned Parenthood, Young Democrats, Democratic Party Women’s Caucus and HWL. The cost is \$70 – seats are limited. Please RSVP to Jadine Nielsen at [imjadine@gmail.com](mailto:imjadine@gmail.com). Payment of \$70 per person should be mailed directly to Jennifer Taylor at 274 Poipu Drive, Honolulu, HI 96825.

Finally, although we know already sent out a blast earlier, we ask you to actively participate in submitting nominations for our annual Hawaii Women Lawyers awards to recognize those who have made significant contributions to our community, specifically to enhancing the status of women and promoting equal opportunity for all. We invite you to participate in this process and send us your nominations (they can be brief!) by **January 10, 2020**. More information follows in this newsletter.

On behalf of the entire Board of Directors of HWL, thank you all for your continued efforts to improve the lives and careers of women in the legal community. I wish you all a healthy, safe, and prosperous New Year’s.

- Kimi Ide-Foster, HWL Board President

## Upcoming Event

### **A Conversation with Christine Pelosi**

**Author of The Nancy Pelosi Way: Advice on Success, Leadership and Politics from America's Most Powerful Woman**

**with Denby Fawcett**

Friday, January 17, 2020

5:00-7:00pm

Planned Parenthood Honolulu Health Center  
The Tommy Holmes Community Gathering Space  
[839 S. Beretania Street](#)

Ms. Pelosi will be available after the program to talk story and sign her books. Books will be available for purchase or you may purchase your book at [Barnes & Noble](#).

[Due to limited space, please RSVP ASAP to Eventbrite](#)

**Christine Pelosi** is an attorney and advocate serving as counsel for We Said Enough and partner at IMPACT. She has worked as a Deputy City Attorney and Assistant District Attorney in San Francisco, special counsel to HUD in the Clinton-Gore Administration, and a chief of staff on Capitol Hill. Elected as California Democratic Party Women's Caucus Chair and Democratic National Committee Executive Committeewoman, Pelosi is the author of Campaign Boot Camp and Campaign Boot Camp 2.0 and has traveled to forty-one states and four foreign countries conducting leadership trainings. A member of the San Francisco Giants Community Fund Board, Christine resides in San Francisco, California, with her husband, Emmy-nominated filmmaker Peter Kaufman, and their daughter Isabella.

**Denby Fawcett** is a veteran newspaper and television journalist. She is a graduate of Columbia University and was a Knight Journalism Fellow at Stanford University. She has been inducted into the Associated Press Television Radio Association's Hall of Fame for a lifetime of achievement. Denby lives in Honolulu, Hawai'i. She co-authored War Torn: Stories of War from the Women Reporters Who Covered Vietnam (Random House, 2002), a book about her and eight other women reporters who covered the Vietnam War. She also authored Secrets of Diamond Head: A History and Trail Guide. Currently, she is a columnist for Civil Beat.

Parking available at [Planned Parenthood Honolulu Health Center](#), [Straub Hospital](#), and the [First Insurance Center](#)

## Recent Events

# Identifying and Responding to Gender Bias, Harassment, and Disrespect

## Friday, November 15, 2019

On November 15th, Makana Risser Chai ([Respectful Workspaces](#)) and Amanda Lavis ([Esquire Intelligence LTD](#)) conducted a practical and interactive seminar for women in the legal community. Too often, individuals are unsure how, or even if, they should respond to gender discrimination and/or harassment. Through this seminar, participants were empowered to identify responses within their own comfort level. Participants engaged in interactive exercises where they could practice their responses to common workplace situations. Attendees highly recommended the training and praised its practical approach.

