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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT

STATE OF HAWAI'I

PUBLIC FIRST LAW CENTER,

Plaintiff,

VS.

DEFENDER COUNCIL; JON N. IKENAGA; and AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

Defendants.

Civil No. 1CCV-24-0000050 (JJK) (Other Civil Action)

ORDER REGARDING DEFENDANT AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SUBMISSION OF UNREDACTED COPIES OF ITS EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES FOR JULY 20, 2023 AND AUGUST 8, 2023 FOR *IN CAMERA* REVIEW BY THE COURT, FILED JULY 11, 2025 [DKT. # 221]; EXHIBIT 1

Judge: Jordon J. Kimura

Trial Date: September 22, 2025

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On July 3, 2024, the Court entered the parties' *Stipulation and Order Regarding Counts* X-XIII and Remedies [Dkt. # 211] ("Stipulation and Order"). Pursuant to the Stipulation and Order, the parties agreed, in pertinent part, to the following as related to the July 20, 2023 and August 8, 2023 executive session minutes of the Agribusiness Development Corporation Board of Directors ("ADC Board"):

- C. The ADC Board will provide [Plaintiff Public First Law Center ("*Public First*")] a copy of the Hiring PIG report and its July 20 and August 8, 2023 executive session meeting minutes under the following conditions:
 - (1) Within twenty (20) days of the date this stipulation and order is entered, the ADC Board shall produce to Public First the Hiring PIG report; provided that the ADC Board may narrowly redact "highly personal and intimate information" that is of no legitimate public concern; and
 - (2) Within five (5) working days of the date this stipulation and order is entered, the ADC Board shall submit to the above-entitled Court for in camera review the unredacted executive session minutes for its July 20 and August 8, 2023 meetings for an order as to the appropriate scope of public disclosure; provided that the order shall be stayed automatically for (10) days to allow for challenges to the scope of disclosure;
- D. Disputes regarding the scope of disclosures made under paragraph "C", above, shall be governed by Hawai'i law and subject to final order by the above-entitled Court as follows:
 - (1) Any dispute shall be submitted to the Court for review within ten (10) days of the disclosure or order to disclose, as the case may be;
 - (2) Any party that objects to the scope of disclosure shall file a letter brief, not to exceed five (5) pages in length, single-spaced, providing relevant points and authorities; and
 - (3) Any party that wishes to respond to the objection shall file a responsive letter brief within ten (10) days of the objection[.]

See Dkt. # 211.

The parties also agreed that "[t]he ADC Board violated the Sunshine Law by doing the following in executive session on July 20 and August 8: (a) discussing the recommendations of

the 'Executive Director Search Committee' permitted interaction group (also referred to as the 'Hiring PIG'); (b) interviewing candidates; (c) evaluating the candidate's qualification and fitness; and (d) selecting the ADC Executive Director." Dkt. # 211.

On July 11, 2025, ADC Board submitted unredacted copies of the July 20, 2023 and August 8, 2023 executive session minutes (collectively, "*Subject Minutes*") for *in-camera* review by the Court.

The Court, having carefully received the Subject Minutes, being duly advised of the records and files herein, and for good cause shown, now hereby issues its order as to the public dissemination of the Subject Minutes as follows:

First, as related to the <u>July 20, 2023 Executive Session minutes</u>, the Court hereby rules that the majority of the minutes must be publicly disclosed by the ADC Board. As noted in *Civil Beat Law Center for the Public Interest, Inc. v. City & Cnty. of Honolulu*, 144 Hawai'i 466, 445 P.3d 47 (2019), the Hawai'i Supreme Court outlined the review a circuit court must undertake to evaluate the personnel-privacy exception under the Sunshine Law, codified in Chapter 92 of the Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("*HRS*"):

If the circuit court finds that the Commission had a proper basis for invoking the personnel-privacy exception at the executive sessions under review, the court must conduct a two-step analysis. First, the court will determine to what extent the Commission's discussions and deliberations therein fell within the scope of the personnel-privacy exception. That is, the court must determine to what extent the Commission's discussions and deliberations were "directly related to" the purpose of closing the meeting pursuant to the personnel-privacy exception. HRS § 92-5(b).

The personnel-privacy exception allows boards to discuss the "hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline" of personnel, or "charges brought against" personnel, without the risk of invading the person's privacy. HRS § 92-5(a)(2). The purpose of this exception is to protect individual privacy rights. Thus, on remand, the circuit court must examine the meeting minutes in-camera to determine to what

extent the Commission's discussions were "directly related to" this purpose. HRS § 92-5(b).

Second, if portions of the executive meeting minutes fell outside the scope of the personnel-privacy exception, the circuit court will then alternatively consider the attorney-client exception. The court must determine whether the remaining portions of the executive meeting were "directly related to" the purpose of "consult[ing] with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities." HRS § 92-5(a)(4).

If the circuit court finds that the personnel-privacy exception was not properly invoked for a given meeting and was therefore impermissible, then the court must proceed directly to the second step of the above analysis to identify whether any portions of the meeting exceeded the scope of the attorney-client exception.

If any portions of the meetings at issue exceeded the scope of any permissible exception, then this will indicate that the Commission did not comply with section 92-5(b).

Id. at 487, 445 P.3d at 68.

"[F]or 'matters affecting privacy' to be involved in a personnel discussion, HRS § 92-5(a)(2), the person at issue must have a 'legitimate expectation of privacy' in the information."

Id. at 480, 445 P.3d at 61 (citing Nakano v. Matayoshi, 68 Haw. 140, 148, 706 P.2d 814, 819 (1985)). "People have a legitimate expectation of privacy in 'highly personal and intimate' information" and "[g]enerally, 'highly personal and intimate' information may include 'medical, financial, educational, or employment records." Id.

Upon a careful review of the July 20, 2023 executive session minutes, the Court concludes that the none of the discussions and deliberations that occurred during the July 20, 2023 executive session were "directly related to" the purpose of closing the meeting pursuant to the personnel-privacy exception and these discussions and deliberations therefore fell outside the scope of the personnel-privacy exception. There were no discussions that involved "highly

personal and intimate information" such as, but not including, "medical, financial, educational, or employment records."

The Court must then alternatively consider the attorney-client exception. *See Civil Beat*, 144 Hawai'i at 487, 445 P.3d at 68. The July 20, 2023 Executive Session minutes contain a colloquy between Deputy Attorney General Delanie Prescott-Tate and Board Member Jayson Watts on page 3. The Court notes that "[u]nlike the attorney-client privilege, the Sunshine Law's attorney-client exception protects communications relating only to 'questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities." *Id.* at 488, 445 P.3d at 69. "[A] board is authorized to consult with its attorney in an executive meeting convened for any of the purposes listed in section 92-5(a), HRS, so long as the consultation is necessary to achieve the authorized purpose of the executive meeting" and a "board may need its attorney's assistance to explain the legal ramifications of various courses of conduct available to the board." *Id.* at 489, 445 P.3d at 70 (citing OIP Op. No. 03-17, at 4; *Cty. of Kaua'iv. Office of Info. Practices*, 120 Hawai'i 34, 46, 200 P.3d 403, 415 (App. 2009)). "The circuit court must consider and strictly apply these rules when conducting in-camera review of the minutes. . . ."

Applying the foregoing, the Court finds that the second, third, and fourth full paragraphs on page 3 of the July 20, 2023 executive session minutes containing the initial portions of the colloquy between Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate and Board Member Watts do not fall within the Sunshine Law's attorney-client exception because these discussions do not relate to the ADC Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. However, the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth paragraphs on page 3 of the July 20, 2023 executive session minutes do in fact relate to the ADC Board's powers and duties and as well as legal ramifications of

various courses of conduct available to the ADC Board. Accordingly, these paragraphs (which start with "Mr. Watts asked. . . .", "Ms. Prescott-Tate remarked. . . .", "Mr. Watts continued. . . .", and "Ms. Prescott-Tate responded. . . .") may be redacted by the ADC Board and not be publicly disseminated under the Sunshine Law's attorney-client exception. Other than the foregoing three paragraphs, the remainder of the July 20, 2023 executive session minutes shall be made available for public dissemination in unreduced form.

Second, as related to the <u>August 8, 2023 executive session minutes</u>, the Court also rules that the majority of the minutes must be publicly disclosed by the ADC Board. The majority of the August 8, 2023 executive session discussion pertained to the ADC Board's interview of two candidates for the ADC Board's Executive Director. Upon a careful review of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes, the Court concludes that two sentences of the minutes fall within the personnel-privacy exception. These two references appear on the ninth line of the third full paragraph on page 26 (the sentence beginning with "Yeah, I have ") and the ninth line of the first paragraph on page 27 (the sentence beginning with "I have "). The ADC Board may redact both of these sentences. Otherwise, there were no discussions in the ADC Board's interview of the two candidates that involved "highly personal and intimate information" such as, but not including, "medical, financial, educational, or employment records."

As to the Sunshine Law's attorney-client exception, the Court identified a number of instances in the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes where discussions ensued between ADC Board members and Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate. One of those colloquies occurred in the presence of an interviewee, which appears in the fifth through thirteenth full paragraphs on page 16 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes and generally relates to

the ADC Board's duties as to budget approval.¹ The question presented here is whether the presence of the interviewee jeopardized the "executive" character of this discussion. Here, the Court finds that it does. Under *Civil Beat*, "[i]f a non-board member, including the board's attorney remains in an executive meeting after his or her presence is no longer required for the meeting's purpose, the executive meeting may lose its 'executive' character." *Civil Beat*, 144 Hawai'i at 489, 445 P.3d at 70.

Applying *Civil Beat*, if the purpose of the subject colloquy was to engage with the Board's attorney on the ADC Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities, the interviewee's presence was not necessary for that purpose (even if she ultimately was chosen as the successor executive director of the ADC Board). *Cf.* OIP Op. Ltr. No. 03-17 ("To illustrate further, supposing there were five different deputies from the Corporation Counsel's Office, each deputy being assigned to represent the County with respect to only one of the five different lawsuits. During an executive meeting, when the first of the five lawsuits is discussed and if only one deputy is designated to represent the Council on that matter, the presence of only that deputy is necessary to assist the Council. . . . The other deputies not assigned to that particular lawsuit should remain outside of the executive meeting because the Council does not require their assistance to make a decision concerning that lawsuit."). Accordingly, the colloquy on page 16 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes between ADC Board members and

¹ Public First previously filed the redacted minutes in the record at Dkt. # 126, in support of its renewed motion for summary judgment. From the redacted minutes, it was not clear when Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate was speaking because any lines containing her response to ADC Board members was completely redacted. In other words, while other ADC Board members are identified by name in the redacted minutes as asking a question or responding with a comment (but the actual question or comment was redacted), the redacted minutes hide Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate's identity and response in their entirety, so one cannot easily discern from the redacted minutes when and where Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate would be speaking. *See* Dkt. # 126 at 17.

Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate lost any executive character it may have had under the Sunshine Law attorney-client privilege and should be publicly disseminated.

A further discussion between the ADC Board and Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate occurred as memorialized on pages 32 and 33 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes. The discussion occurred outside the presence of any third-parties (*i.e.*, the interviewees). Strictly applying the rules set forth in *Civil Beat*, the Court concludes that these discussions relate to the salary of the ADC Board Executive Director and do not entail the ADC Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. Accordingly, this colloquy including Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate's responses contained on these pages should be publically disseminated.

A colloquy between ADC Board member Sharon Hurd and Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate occurred as memorialized on page 36 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes relating to recusal. The Court finds that this colloquy does relate to the ADC Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. Accordingly, the second full paragraph on page 36 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes may be redacted by the ADC Board and not be publicly disseminated under the Sunshine Law's attorney-client exception.

Lastly, on pages 39 through 44 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes, the ADC Board had lengthy discussions with Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate related to the voting/selection process of the Executive Director, what to do after the ADC Board selected the next Executive Director, and what to do in the event the selected Executive Director did not accept the position. Applying *Civil Beat*, the Court concludes that most of these discussions fall within the Sunshine Law attorney-client privilege as they relate to the ADC Board's powers and duties. To aid the parties, and in light of the many redactions made by the ADC Board on the August 8, 2023 executive session meetings minutes as submitted at Dkt. # 126 in connection

with Plaintiff's motion for partial summary judgment, the Court has extracted pages 39 through 44 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes from Dkt. # 126, attached those pages as Exhibit 1 to this Order, and marked the redactions that may stay by writing in red next to the redacted paragraph, "STAY". The Court concludes that the redactions that may remain contain questions to or responses by Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate that this Court finds is covered by the Sunshine Law attorney-client privilege. All other redactions shall be removed. Again, it may assist Plaintiff and the public to understand that fully redacted lines on these pages are responses by Deputy Attorney General Prescott-Tate.

Accordingly, based on the foregoing, and pursuant to *Civil Beat*, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. As to the July 20, 2023 executive session minutes, the ADC Board shall release said meeting minutes in unredacted form with the exception of the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth paragraphs on page 3 that start with "Mr. Watts asked. . . .", "Ms. Prescott-Tate remarked. . . .", "Mr. Watts continued. . . .", and "Ms. Prescott-Tate responded. . . ." These paragraphs may be redacted by the ADC Board and not be publicly disseminated under the Sunshine Law's attorney-client exception.
- 2. As to the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes, the ADC Board shall release said meeting minutes in unredacted form with the exception of: (i) the ninth line of the third full paragraph on page 26 (the sentence beginning with "Yeah, I have") and the ninth line of the first paragraph on page 27, (the sentence beginning with "I have"); (ii) the second full paragraph on page 36 of the August 8, 2023 executive session minutes; and (iii) any redactions of

paragraphs marked on Exhibit 1 attached hereto with "STAY" in red lettering.

These paragraphs may be redacted by the ADC Board and remain withheld from public disseminated under the Sunshine Law's personnel-privacy and attorney-client exceptions.

Pursuant to the Stipulation and Order, this Order shall be stayed for (10) days
from its entry to allow for challenges to the scope of disclosure outlined above.
 DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, July 17, 2025.

/s/ **Jordon J. Kimura**Judge of the Above-Entitled Court



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(Reproduced from Dkt. # 126 at 40-45)

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	Mr. Hong asked do we have a consensus of a unanimous board?
STAY	
	The board nodded and Mr. Hong replied yes.
STAY	Mr. Wicker, for consistency, the second second from ok with unanimous.
STAY	Ms. Hurd said
	Mr. Hong said it's a good decision.
	Mr. Okuhama asked this is the recommendation? Not approval?

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STAY	
	Mr. Hong asked do we go out of executive session now?
STAY	
-	Mr. Wicker said do we do a press release? We have Becker Communications.
STAY	
	Mr. Hong said I think, after acceptance though,
STAY	Mr. Tabata asked
STAY	
STAY	Mr. Watts said my preference would be
STAY	Mr. Hong repeated, the process again? My position is to go with
STAY	
STAY	
	Mr. Watts said well you know I'll go with it because I think it's important to get somebody going as quickly as we can. And I think that Scott Ishikawa and Becker Communication should be evaluated and that there be a more aggressive media push, to be as broad as possible. I didn't even see this ED selection thing on the news at all. So when somebody tells me that they went put out a press release I don't believe it because on Maui, Mauinow.com they just print press releases. They don't even do any reporting at all. So if it's not even there. I just think a wider net would've been better.
	Ms. Hurd said to your point when it was announced at the board meeting that the application was on the HDOA website I texted our [Public Information Officer] (PIO), and it wasn't. So, it was immediately put it, but it wasn't there.
STAY	
	Mr. Hong said speaking for the committee I think we had a great list of candidates. We had fourteen and we had a whole day meeting getting it down to seven and we interviewed seven and so I think we had a really good representation of the people out there. I mean could we have gotten more candidates? Maybe, but I think we got some great candidates.
	Ms. Hard said you did. I'm good with
	Mr. Wicker said I agree with Mr. Watts on Becker Communications. My experience with them 'cause they have contracts with other attached agencies as clients and they're not aggressive enough. I've asked them to get ahead of stuff so we can revisit that approach. However, I think ADC doesn't need its own

I think the longer we wait, we're going to lose funds. We're not going to encumber in

PIO, it should continue to contract out because we have a communications officer in DBEDT that's

something ADC was able to benefit from. On the timetable,

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time. That's just the way the legislature did it. And the second thing, the names of the people that applied, I was familiar with some of them, and I thought there was such diverse backgrounds of those who applied, it would have been interesting to see if there was an even bigger push. ADC got fourteen applicants. The HTDC is also doing its executive director search and they got fifteen.

Ms. Hurd commented "wow."

Mr. Wicker said he was impressed, and kind of shocked at the same time that there was that much turn out for both of these positions. I think there was enough time and HTDC got only one additional and they're in the same ballpark as a salary range.

Mr. Okuhama said he went through the [Hawaii Community Development Authority] (HCDA) executive director search and the quality of candidates was a bit disappointing actually. We had a lot of candidates but not the quality of candidates. I think this time, the ones that we interviewed there was not one person that didn't encompass everything. They were pretty good quality and they had strengths, each of their own in different things. Speed is important so I agree that

because we need to move on this pretty quick

Mr. Hong asked so who's doing the letter?

Mr. Wicker asked Becker Communications?

Mr. Hong asked so how fast could

Mr. Hong asked so by tomorrow we're going to have a press release?

STAY

Mr. Watts asked will we be able to review the press release before it goes out? I only ask because I think ... is it going to just be the board saying we're announcing this person or is it going to be the board saying we announce this person and kind of talk a little bit about the vision going forward?

STAY

Mr. Hong said so the full board has to approve this action, this offer?

Mr. Wicker noted we are the full board.

Mr. Hong said no I understand that but we're in executive session, does it have to be in an open forum?

STAY

Mr. Hong repeated with no names. Ok, that's good but before we do a press release,

Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held on August 8, 2023 In-Person at 235 S. Beretania, St., Suite 204, Honolulu, HI 96813 **STAY** Mr. Okuhama asked so the press release would be pretty immediate then. STAY Mr. Okuhama said if we wait to the 17th, which is the next meeting, the word will get out. That's how I feel; it's going to get out. Mr. Tabata suggested the letter goes out, then we notify then we can do a press release. STAY The board members nodded in agreement. Mr. Hong said we can actually just record it in open session saying that the board has made a decision, no names yet, and put it to a vote and it can be unanimous at that point. STAY STAY **STAY** Mr. Watts confirmed postal mail? Mr. Hong asked so it's going to be a couple days? Mr. Okuhama asked can't we e-mail ?? STAY Mr. Hong said unless willing to come in and pick up a letter STAY Mr. Hong said that'll save two, three days. That's what it comes down to really. STAY Mr. Hong acknowledged right. That'll give you a day or two to get the press release done with Becker. **STAY**

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Mr. Wicker said I think just for awareness we should look at it before it goes out, just to make sure.

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Mr. Watts noted that rewrote three or four op eds of Becker's, I don't trust that Becker's will be appropriate. I'd like to review it first.

STAY

Chair asked just press release?

STAY

Mr. Okuhama said it will be good to see what goes out before it goes out.

Mr. Wicker asked can I excuse myself?

STAY

Mr. Wicker said thank you, Chair, thank you, Board. Sorry I got to head out,

Mr. Tabata added can we tell whoever made my flight that I'm not going to make it? My flight is 1:20 p.m. I've got to return a car and everything. Can I leave already?

Mr. Okuhama asked Chair if he was going to do the press release?

Mr. Watts said we're supposed to go back to Maui today too.

STAY

Mr. Hong said excuse me

Mr. Okuhama said don't we need to stop executive session? We need six, yeah?

Chair called for a motion to exit executive session.

Motion by Mr. Tabata; Second: Mr. Watts,

Chair called for the vote. Hearing no objection the motion was approved: 6-0.

Executive session adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

Mr. Tabata and Mr. Wicker exited the meeting.