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*Fierce Warriors, Innovative Dealmakers*

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher is a leader among Hawaii law firms, recognized for its expertise in real estate law, commercial transactions and complex commercial litigation in Hawaii, the US mainland and internationally. The firm's intellectual power, mental strength and toughness generate winning strategies, strong negotiations and innovative settlements for clients. Above all, the firm's passion for excellence and responsive client service has earned an international reputation for extraordinary client results.

## **Accolades**

**AV Preeminent® Rated Firm – *Martindale-Hubbell®***

**Ranked “Tier 1” among Hawaii law firms, “*Best Law Firms®*”**  
*23 Practice Areas*

**9 Lawyers Recognized as “Lawyer of the Year” - *The Best Lawyers in America®* (2011 – 2024)**  
*Named in 15 Practice Areas – 41 Recognitions*

**14 Best Lawyers® – *The Best Lawyers in America®*, 6 Selected to “Ones to Watch” List**  
*Named in 37 Practice Areas – 113 Recognitions*

**8 Lawyers Selected to the “Top 25” Hawaii Super Lawyers® List**

**11 Selected to the Hawaii Super Lawyers®, Super Lawyers® List, 8 Selected to the Rising Star List**  
*Business Litigation – Real Estate Law – IP Litigation*

**Lawyer Named “Star” by *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business***  
*Commercial Litigation*  
*Since 2012*

**Firm and 11 Lawyers Ranked by *Chambers and Partners USA Directory Leading Lawyers for Business***  
*Business Litigation – Real Estate Law – Corporate/Commercial Law*

**Firm and 2 Lawyers Ranked by *Chambers and Partners High Net Worth Guide***  
*Private Wealth Law*

**Selected “*Litigation Law Firm of the Year-Hawaii*” – *Benchmark Litigation***  
*(2020 – 2022 & 2024)*

**Lawyer Named “Top 250 Women in Litigation” – *Benchmark Litigation***  
*(2011 – 2014)*

**6 Lawyers Named “Litigation Stars” by *Benchmark Litigation*, Two “Future Stars”**  
*Highly Recommended Law Firm*

**“Best Places To Work” by *Hawaii Business Magazine***

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## **AV Preeminent® Rated – Martindale-Hubbell®**

*Law Firm Rated AV Preeminent®*

*17 Lawyers Rated AV Preeminent®*

A. Bernard Bays, Trevor A. Brown, Norman H.Y. Cheng, Douglas S. Chin, Duane R. Fisher,  
Andrew J. Lautenbach, Sharon V. Lovejoy, Ivan M. Lui-Kwan, Kenneth B. Marcus, Maile S. Miller,  
Christine N. Ohira, Lindsay E. Orman, Terence J. O'Toole, Judith Ann Pavey,  
Paul H. Sato, Sara S.T. Strona, Stephanie E.W. Thompson

## **Best Law Firms®**

*Ranked "Tier 1" in Hawaii in 23 Specialties*

Administrative/Regulatory Law	Land Use & Zoning Law
Appellate Practice	Land Use & Zoning Litigation
Arbitration	Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants
Banking & Finance Litigation	Leisure & Hospitality Law
Bet-The-Company Litigation	Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions-Plaintiff
Business Organizations	Medical Malpractice Law
Civil Rights Law	Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
Commercial Litigation	Personal Injury Litigation
Construction Law	Product Liability Litigation
Construction Litigation	Real Estate Law
Corporate Law	Real Estate Litigation
Government Relations Practice	

## **Best Lawyers in America® – "Lawyer of the Year" Honolulu**

Lawyer of the Year (2015)	A. Bernard Bays	Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants
Lawyer of the Year (2017)	Trevor A. Brown	Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
Lawyer of the Year (2019)	Trevor A. Brown	Closely Held & Family Businesses
Lawyer of the Year (2020, 2023)	Trevor A. Brown	Securities Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2022, 2024)	Trevor A. Brown	Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants
Lawyer of the Year (2023)	Douglas S. Chin	Civil Rights Law
Lawyer of the Year (2015)	Duane R. Fisher	Corporate Law
Lawyer of the Year (2020,2023)	Duane R. Fisher	Business Organizations
Lawyer of the Year (2014, 2022)	Sharon V. Lovejoy	Banking & Finance Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2015, 2019)	Sharon V. Lovejoy	Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
Lawyer of the Year (2024)	Sharon V. Lovejoy	Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
Lawyer of the Year (2020)	Sharon V. Lovejoy	Appellate Practice
Lawyer of the Year (2015, 2018)	Ivan M. Lui-Kwan	Government Relations Practice
Lawyer of the Year (2023)	Ivan M. Lui-Kwan	Government Relations Practice
Lawyer of the Year (2022, 2024)	Ivan M. Lui-Kwan	Administrative/Regulatory Law
Lawyer of the Year (2016)	Kenneth B. Marcus	Business Organizations
Lawyer of the Year (2017)	Kenneth B. Marcus	Mergers and Acquisitions Law
Lawyer of the Year (2011, 2019)	Terence J. O'Toole	Bet-The-Company Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2023)	Terence J. O'Toole	Bet-The-Company Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2012, 2015)	Terence J. O'Toole	Banking & Finance Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2024)	Terence J. O'Toole	Banking & Finance Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2014, 2018)	Terence J. O'Toole	Appellate Practice
Lawyer of the Year (2022, 2024)	Terence J. O'Toole	Appellate Practice
Lawyer of the Year (2013, 2018)	Judith Ann Pavey	Banking & Finance Litigation

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## ***Best Lawyers in America® – “Lawyer of the Year” Honolulu***

Lawyer of the Year (2023)	Judith Ann Pavey	Banking & Finance Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2014, 2019)	Judith Ann Pavey	Product Liability Litigation
Lawyer of the Year (2020, 2023)	Judith Ann Pavey	Medical Malpractice Law-Plaintiff

## ***Best Lawyers® Recognized Practice Areas***

A. Bernard Bays	Commercial Litigation Land Use & Zoning Law Land Use & Zoning Litigation Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants Real Estate Litigation Trusts & Estates Litigation
Trevor A. Brown	Appellate Practice Arbitration Business Organizations Closely Held Companies & Family Businesses Commercial Litigation Commercial Transactions/UCC Law Corporate Law Ethics & Professional Responsibility Law Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law Product Liability Litigation Real Estate Law Real Estate Litigation Securities Litigation Trusts and Estates Litigation
Norman H.Y. Cheng	Business Organizations Corporate Law Leisure & Hospitality Law Real Estate Law
Douglas S. Chin	Administrative/Regulatory Law Appellate Practice Civil Rights Law Commercial Litigation Government Relations Practice
Duane R. Fisher	Business Organizations Construction Law Corporate Law Land Use & Zoning Law Leisure & Hospitality Law Real Estate Law

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## *Best Lawyers® Recognized Practice Areas*

Andrew J. Lautenbach

Commercial Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation

Sharon V. Lovejoy

Appellate Practice  
Arbitration  
Banking & Finance Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Eminent Domain & Condemnation Law  
Environmental Litigation  
Land Use & Zoning Litigation  
Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions  
-Defendants  
Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions  
-Plaintiffs  
Mortgage Banking Foreclosure  
Qui Tam Law  
Real Estate Litigation

Ivan M. Lui-Kwan

Administrative/Regulatory Law  
Government Relations Practice  
Land Use & Zoning Law  
Leisure & Hospitality Law  
Real Estate Law

Kenneth B. Marcus

Business Organizations  
Commercial Finance Law  
Leisure & Hospitality Law  
Mergers & Acquisitions Law  
Real Estate Law

Christina N. Ohira

Business Organizations  
Commercial Finance Law  
Commercial Transactions/UCC Law  
Land Use & Zoning Law  
Real Estate Law

Terence J. O'Toole

Appellate Practice  
Arbitration  
Banking & Finance Litigation  
Bet-The-Company Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Eminent Domain & Condemnation Law  
Land Use & Zoning Litigation  
Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action  
-Plaintiffs  
Mergers & Acquisition Litigation

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## ***Best Lawyers® Recognized Practice Areas***

Terence J. O'Toole

Real Estate Litigation

Judith Ann Pavey

Appellate Practice  
Arbitration  
Banking & Finance Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Medical Malpractice Law  
Personal Injury Litigation  
Product Liability Litigation

Paul H. Sato

Commercial Litigation  
Real Estate Law  
Real Estate Litigation

Stephanie E.W. Thompson

Appellate Practice  
Commercial Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation

## ***Best Lawyers®, "Ones to Watch", Recognized Practice Areas***

Kukui Claydon

Commercial Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation

Lauren K.O. Kagawa

Real Estate Law

John H. Kelly

Commercial Litigation  
Intellectual Property Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation

Maile S. Miller

Commercial Litigation  
Environmental Litigation  
Land Use & Zoning Law  
Real Estate Litigation

Lindsay E. Orman

Appellate Practice  
Business Organizations  
Corporate Law  
Eminent Domain & Condemnation Law  
Government Relations Practice  
Land Use & Zoning Law  
Real Estate Law

Sara S.T. Strona

Business Organizations  
Corporate Law  
Real Estate Law

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## ***“Top 25” Lawyers in Hawaii, Super Lawyers® List***

A. Bernard Bays	Business Litigation	2008, 2010 – 2021
Trevor A. Brown	Business Litigation	2015, 2018 – 2022
Sharon V. Lovejoy	Business Litigation	2023
Terence J. O’Toole	Business Litigation	2011, 2020
Judith Ann Pavey	Business Litigation	2016
Norman H.Y. Cheng	Real Estate Law	2021 – 2023
Duane R. Fisher	Real Estate Law	2014, 2020 – 2023
Kenneth B. Marcus	Real Estate Law	2011, 2012, 2014

## ***Selected to the Hawaii Super Lawyers® List***

A. Bernard Bays	Business Litigation
Trevor A. Brown	Business Litigation
Andrew J. Lautenbach	Business Litigation
Sharon V. Lovejoy	Business Litigation
Terence J. O’Toole	Business Litigation
Judith Ann Pavey	Business Litigation
Stephanie E.W. Thompson	Business Litigation
Kukui Claydon	Business Litigation, Rising Star
Maile S. Miller	Business Litigation, Rising Star
Eric S. Robinson	Business Litigation, Rising Star
John W. Kelly	IP Litigation, Rising Star
Norman H.Y. Cheng	Real Estate Law
Duane R. Fisher	Real Estate Law
Ivan M. Lui-Kwan	Real Estate Law
Kenneth B. Marcus	Real Estate Law
Lauren K.O. Kagawa	Real Estate Law, Rising Star
Christina N. Ohira	Real Estate Law, Rising Star
Lindsay E. Orman	Real Estate Law, Rising Star
Sara S.T. Strona	Real Estate Law, Rising Star

## ***Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers For Business***

*Litigation, Firm, Band “1”*

*Real Estate Law, Firm, Band “2”*

*Corporate Commercial, Firm, Band “2”*

## ***“Star”, Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business***

Terence J. O’Toole	Litigation/General Commercial
<i>Recognized Each Consecutive Year Since 2012</i>	

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## ***Recognized by Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers For Business***

Kenneth B. Marcus	Corporate Commercial, Band 2
Duane R. Fisher	Corporate Commercial, Band 2
Terence J. O'Toole	Litigation/Commercial, Star
Sharon V. Lovejoy	Litigation/Commercial, Band 1
Stephanie E.W. Thompson	Litigation Commercial, Band 2
Trevor A. Brown	Litigation/Commercial, Band 3
Andrew J. Lautenbach	Litigation Commercial, Band 3
Judith Ann Pavey	Litigation Commercial, Band 3
Douglas S. Chin	Litigation Commercial, Band 3
Kenneth B. Marcus	Real Estate Law, Band 1
Duane R. Fisher	Real Estate Law, Band 2
Norman H.Y. Cheng	Real Estate Law, Band 3
Trevor A. Brown	Real Estate Law, Band 3
Lindsay E. Orman	Real Estate Law, Up and Coming

## ***Recognized by Chambers and Partners High Net Worth Guide Private Wealth Law, Firm, Band "1"***

Trevor A. Brown	Private Wealth Law, Band 1
Christina N. Ohira	Private Wealth Law, Band 2

## ***"Top 250 Women in Litigation in the United States" Benchmark Litigation, (2011 – 2014)***

Sharon V. Lovejoy	Litigation Star
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## ***Benchmark Litigation***

### ***Selected "Litigation Law Firm of the Year-Hawaii" Highly Recommended Firm (2020 – 2022 & 2024)***

Trevor A. Brown	Litigation Star
Douglas S. Chin	Litigation Star
Andrew J. Lautenbach	Litigation Star
Sharon V. Lovejoy	Litigation Star
Terence J. O'Toole	Litigation Star
Judith Ann Pavey	Litigation Star
Stephanie E.W. Thompson	Future Star
Maile S. Miller	Future Star

## ***"Best Places To Work" by Hawaii Business Magazine***

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## FIRM OVERVIEW

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher is a leader among Hawaii real estate and business law firms, recognized for its expertise in real estate law, commercial transactions and complex commercial litigation in Hawaii, the US mainland and internationally.

Firm transactional and litigation attorneys often join forces in complex commercial matters that require both business law and litigation experience. The firm's intellectual power and mental strength and toughness generate winning strategies, strong negotiations and innovative settlements for clients. Above all, the firm's attorneys have a passion for excellence and responsive client service, earning the firm an international reputation for extraordinary client results.

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher's senior partners bring impressive depth in both years of practice and a skill level earned from working complex and nuanced cases for many years. Six senior partners have practiced over 45 years and remain actively involved in their legal practice.

### ***"Best Law Firms®"*** ***Ranked "Tier 1" in Hawaii in 23 Specialties***

Administrative/Regulatory Law	Land Use & Zoning Law
Appellate Practice	Land Use & Zoning Litigation
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Banking & Finance Litigation	Leisure & Hospitality Law
Bet-The-Company Litigation	Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions-Plaintiff
Business Organizations	Medical Malpractice Law
Civil Rights Law	Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
Commercial Litigation	Personal Injury Litigation
Construction Law	Product Liability Litigation
Construction Litigation	Real Estate Law
Corporate Law	Real Estate Litigation
Government Relations Practice	

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher has earned *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest AV Preeminent® rating, given by our legal peers for achieving the highest standards of professional ethics, excellence and legal ability. Our litigation attorneys and transactional team have been selected to the "Top 25", Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list in the practice areas of business litigation and real estate law.

Firm attorneys have earned 41 practice area recognitions as *The Best Lawyers in America*®, "Lawyers of the Year" in Honolulu (2011 – 2024), in both transactional and litigation practice areas.

Our firm is ranked "Tier 1" in Hawaii in 23 specialties by *"Best Law Firms®"*. The firm has been selected for inclusion each year since the accolade's inception in 2010.

The firm is *Benchmark Litigation's* "Hawaii Litigation Firm of the Year" for 2020 – 2022 & 2024, and a *"Highly Recommended"* law firm since 2011.



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## A LITIGATION POWERHOUSE

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher's litigation powerhouse has extensive experience, including significant jury and non-jury trial work, in complex commercial litigation encompassing business, corporate, contract and accounting issues related to Hawaii real estate development, corporate ownership and management, the hotel and hospitality industry, environmental matters, construction claims, lender liability, class actions and personal injury matters.

Our respected team of litigation attorneys have trial expertise before State and Federal courts in Hawaii and the US mainland, including the US Supreme Court, and has served as litigation general counsel before courts in foreign jurisdictions.

When clients are faced with complex commercial issues concerning matters in Hawaii and beyond, the firm's attorneys are amongst a handful of select "go-to" lawyers.

## OUR TRIAL APPROACH & ATTORNEYS

Victory in the legal environment means triumph: economic satisfaction, a win-win agreement, or sometimes, just being proclaimed right.

The importance of the path to victory—strategies, players, and desired outcomes — make the selection of the legal trial team critical for success. The job is to design a road map that considers each twist and turn that may be presented. The experience and intellectual brainpower of the client's trial attorneys often accounts for the outcome of litigation by crafting each strategic move on the battlefield along the way.

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher's litigation attorneys take the fight for every client as if it were their own battle. To be responsible and involved is a hallmark of the law firm, which is built on the power of its people.

The firm is *Benchmark Litigation's* "Hawaii Litigation Firm of the Year" for 2020 – 2022 & 2024, and a "Highly Recommended" law firm since 2011.

The firm's litigation attorneys are recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*®, *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business*, *The Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers*™, selected to the *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list, *Benchmark Litigation* and *Martindale-Hubbell*®.

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest possible rating, given to us by our legal peers for achieving very high ethical standards and professional ability.

### Directors & Counsel

**A. Bernard Bays** has been named a "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*® and selected to the "Top 25," *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list. Board Certified as a Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy (NBTA) and the Supreme Court of Hawaii. Mr. Bays is one of only a handful of Hawaii lawyers who are certified by the NBTA.

**Trevor A. Brown** has been recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® in fifteen litigation and transactional categories, named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu multiple times, selected to the "Top 25" *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business*, in *Chambers and Partners High Net Worth Guide* and named a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*. Mr. Brown is often called upon to work on client matters that require business and litigation strategy.

**Douglas S. Chin** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® list, named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu, is in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business*, named a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*,

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and is rated AV Preeminent, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible, for his skill and integrity. Mr. Chin focuses his practice on commercial litigation, administrative law and government relations. Mr. Chin served as Hawaii Attorney General, appointed by Governor David Ige.

**Kukui Claydon** has been selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*®, *Ones to Watch* list, and selected to the Hawaii *Super Lawyers*®, "Rising Star" list each year since 2018. Ms. Claydon focuses her practice in the area of commercial litigation. Ms. Claydon is admitted to the Hawaii Bar, and earned her Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center, graduating with honors.

**Andrew J. Lautenbach** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® list, selected to the Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list, is in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business* and named a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*. Mr. Lautenbach is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible for his skill and integrity, and serves as a Director on the Board of the Hawaii Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

**Sharon V. Lovejoy** has been selected for inclusion by *Benchmark Litigation's* "Top 250 Women in Litigation in the United States" (2011 – 2014) and *Pacific Business News' 2018 "Women Who Mean Business"*. Ms. Lovejoy has been named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*®, multiple times, selected to the "Top 25" Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business*, named a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*, is a Senior Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America and is a Fellow of the Federal Bar Foundation.

**Maile S. Miller** Since 2018, Ms. Miller has been selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*®, *Ones to Watch* list, and the Hawaii *Super Lawyers*®, "Rising Star" list each year. She has also been named a "Future Star" by *Benchmark Litigation* and is rated AV Preeminent® by *Martindale-Hubbell*®. Ms. Miller represents a variety of clients in litigation and pre-litigation matters. Ms. Miller is admitted to the Hawaii Bar, and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Hawaii, William S. Richardson School of Law.

**Terence J. O'Toole** has been named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*® multiple times, selected to the "Top 25," Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list, named a "Star" by *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business* and named a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*.

**Judith Ann Pavey** has been named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*® multiple times, selected to the "Top 25" Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business*, and a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*. Ms. Pavey is a member of the American Board of Trial Lawyers, American Association of Justice and the American Inns of Court. Ms. Pavey practices and is recognized for her work in both commercial and personal injury litigation matters.

**Paul H. Sato** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® list. Mr. Sato is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible, for his skill and integrity. He is a seasoned litigation attorney who has over 45 years of experience and focuses on commercial litigation, real estate law, corporate law and administrative law.

**Stephanie E.W. Thompson** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® list, selected to Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business* and named a "Future Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*. Ms. Thompson is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible for skill and integrity, and served as the 2015 Chairperson of the Litigation Section of the Hawaii State Bar Association.

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## BUSINESS FOCUSED REAL ESTATE ATTORNEYS

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher's real estate and business law attorneys are known for sophisticated case analysis and innovative business solutions for complex matters. Our attorneys have significant experience in real estate development and transactions, hotels, hotel management agreements, corporate finance, international transactions, secured transactions, mergers and acquisitions, construction law and complex commercial matters, in Hawaii, the US and internationally.

The firm's impressive skill and experience in strategic case planning, ingenious solutions and powerful negotiations in all aspects of complex real estate transactions has opened many doors for domestic and international clients, and have helped many navigate Hawaii's complex land use and permitting laws.

## OUR TRANSACTIONAL APPROACH AND ATTORNEYS

Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher transactional attorneys have an innate talent for critical thinking through each complex commercial matter. What's more, they excel in solving the pieces of a puzzle, examining the players, unraveling the details of agreements and handshake deals, to identify the keys that will give the client the clear advantage.

In today's complex competitive environment, firm transactional attorneys shine when approaching the deal table. Strong, experienced and prepared for endless possible moves and counter-moves, firm attorneys drive for exceptional results for every client whether they are a family owned business or an international corporation.

Our transactional attorneys are recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*®, *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business*, *The Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers*™ and selected to the *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list.

All Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher transactional Directors are rated AV Preeminent®, the highest rating possible given by *Martindale-Hubbell*®, a distinction given by our legal peers for achieving the highest standards for professional skill, ethics and integrity.

### Directors

**Trevor A. Brown** has been recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® in fifteen litigation and transactional categories, named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu multiple times, selected to the "Top 25" *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business*, in *Chambers and Partners High Net Worth Guide* and named a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*. Mr. Brown is often called upon to work on client matters that require business and litigation strategy.

**Norman H.Y. Cheng** is Managing Director of the firm. Mr. Cheng has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® list, selected to the "Top 25" *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list, is in *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business*. Mr. Cheng is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible for his skill and integrity. He practices in the area of real estate law, and participates on many non-profit boards.

**Duane R. Fisher** is President of the firm and has been named "Lawyer of the Year" in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*® multiple times, selected to the "Top 25" *Hawaii Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business* and is recognized for his expertise in real estate, corporate and construction law.

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**Ivan M. Lui-Kwan** has been named “Lawyer of the Year” in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*® multiple times and selected to the Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list. Mr. Lui-Kwan is rated AV Preeminent® by *Martindale-Hubbell*®, is the Ambassador to the US for the Maori King Tuheitia, and National Board Member of The American Judicature Society.

**Kenneth B. Marcus** has been named “Lawyer of the Year” in Honolulu by *The Best Lawyers in America*®, selected to the “Top 25” Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® list, in *Chambers and Partners USA Directory of Leading Lawyers for Business* and is a member of the International Society of Hospitality Consultants (ISHC). Mr. Marcus has structured numerous successful hotel management agreements and authored the Hawaii State Bar Association Real Estate Manual chapter.

**Christina N. Ohira** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® list, selected to the Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® Rising Star list and is in *Chambers and Partners High Net Worth Guide*. Ms. Ohira concentrates her practice in the areas of real estate and commercial transactions, and has received Martindale-Hubbell's® highest possible “AV Preeminent®” rating for her legal skill and integrity.

**Lindsay E. Orman** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®: *Ones to Watch* list, *Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business*, Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® Rising Star list, and is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible for her skill and integrity. Ms. Orman focuses her practice in areas of real estate and land use law, business law, and legislative and government relations work. Ms. Orman served as a law clerk to Chief Judge Emily Hewitt in the United States Court of Federal Claims in Washington, DC. She is admitted to the Hawaii Bar and earned her Juris Doctor from The George Washington University Law School, graduating with “High Honors.”

**Sara S.T. Strona** has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®: *Ones to Watch* list, selected to the Hawaii *Super Lawyers*® “Rising Star” list, and is rated AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell's*® highest rating possible for her skill and integrity. Ms. Strona focuses her practice in the areas of real estate, commercial transactions, and business structure and operations. She is admitted to the Hawaii Bar and earned her Juris Doctor and Master of Business Administration from the University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law and Shidler College of Business.