MISSION

It is our mission to promote the fair, impartial and expeditious pursuit of justice in every case; to ensure safer communities, and to promote integrity in our profession.

It is our mission to temper justice with compassion, and to do our work in an open, transparent, and accountable way.
Structure

Kauai’s largest law firm.

Circuit Court ~ District/Family Court ~ Appeals/Admin Services

- Apply business principles and best management habits.
- Attorneys (14)
  - Clerical Support (14)
  - Victim/Witness Program (4)
  - Administrative Support (5)
  - Investigative Support (4)
Circuit Court

1st DPA Takata

- DPAs Arin, Mendes, Cahill, Tobin, Tumbaga, Grinpas
- Felonies (Persons/Drugs/Property/Career Criminal)
- Motion Hearings and Trials
- Misdemeanor Jury Demands
- Grand Jury proceedings
- Felony Screening and Charging
District/Family Court

2nd DPA Vogt

- DPAs Salas-Ferguson, White, Nelson, and Murphy
- District Court Traffic
- District Court Criminal
- Adult Family Court
- Juvenile Family Court
- Screening
Appeals & Administrative Services

1st DPA Takata
- DPA Murakami, DPA Murphy (Asset Forfeitures), Program Assistant Kali
- Appeals
- Asset Forfeiture Proceedings
- Rule 40 Petitions
- Legislative Testimony & Research
- Case law updates to KPD
- Teen Court, Drug Court, HOPE Probation, Youth Level of Service Inventory (YLSI)
Boards/Task Forces

- Violence Against Women Act Working Group
- Governor’s Committee on Crime
- Mayor’s Crime Task Force
- Kauai Juvenile Crime Enforcement Committee
- Hawaii Highway Safety Council
- HIJIS Executive Committee
- Mock Trial Directors, Mentors, Coaches and Judges
- Hawaii Coalition Against Human Trafficking
- Impaired Driving Task Force
- Board of Bar Examiners
- Young Lawyers Division Board
- Kauai Domestic Violence Task Force
- Drug Enforcement Committee
- Hawaii Sexual Assault Response Team
- Kauai Sexual Assault Response Team
- Kauai Children’s Justice Committee
- Governance Committee for Statewide Automated Victim Information and Notification (SAVIN)
- Justice Reinvestment Initiative Workgroups
Boards & Task Forces

Committee on Pattern Jury Instructions-Criminal/Committee on Penal Rules
- Initiated a change that allows declarations to be used for judicial determinations of probable cause.

Commission on Professionalism
- Elevates the level of legal practice and ethics; responsible for instituting mandatory continuing legal education.

Hawaii Coalition Against Human Trafficking
- Will focus on educating others and gathering data on the extent of the problem.

Interagency Advisory Committee
- Comprised of police, prosecutors, victim witness advocates and social service providers. Addresses challenges in the handling of child sex assaults and physical abuse on Kauai.

Conference of Western Attorney Generals
- First Deputy is instructor and teaches trial skills to prosecutors from Mexico.
FY 14 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Case Management/Workflow

ACCOMPLISHED
Implement the JustWare Case Management System (CMS) and transition away from HOKU.
Reduce duplicative and redundant data entry by support staff.
Provide discovery to defense bar electronically instead of hardcopy.

IN PROGRESS
Interface with new KPD RMS to streamline work flow.
Work towards paperless workflow (receive reports from KPD electronically instead of hardcopy).
Mobile solutions (tie CMS into tablet devices for attorneys so that productivity continues regardless of location).
CMS/Workflow Efficiency
Workload/Caseload Tracking

My Team Active Cases for Kaua'i Prosecuting Attorney

- George White DPA 408
- Gary Nelson DPA 326
- Sinclair Salas-Ferguson DPA 232
- John Murphy DPA 153
- Marla Torres-Lam Victim Witness Counselor 137
- Timothy Tobin DPA 135
- Shauna Cahill DPA 121
- Ginger Grinpas DPA 108
- Lisa R. Arin DPA 104
- Teresa Tumbaga DPA 104
- Rebecca A Vogt 2nd DPA 102
- Jennifer Arashiro Victim Witness Counselor 97
- Melinda K. Mendes DPA 83
- Tracy Murakami DPA 41
- Anne De Costa Victim Witness Counselor 29
- Diana Gausepohl-White VW Program Director 19
- Kevin K Takata 1st DPA 11
- John Burgess Special Investigator 4
- Justin F Kollar Prosecuting Attorney 4
- Joe Adric Special Investigator 4
- Art Williams Administrative Officer 1
Rebecca A Vogt 2nd DPA
- Open (35)
- Pending Conditional Release Review (1)
- Pending Screening (4)
- Pending Sentencing (12)
- Pending Trial (30)
- Victim Witness (3)
- Warrant (15)

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FY 14 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Victim/Witness Program

1) Reorganize and strengthen the Victim Witness Program by reestablishing the VWP Director position to oversee the day to day operations of the program. **Done**

2) Enhance and improve the program by increasing the number of VW Counselors through a new JRI grant (state monies) **Done** and the ongoing Victims of Crime Act grant (federal monies). **In-progress**

3) Serve victims more effectively by providing outreach services **In-progress**

4) Renew partnerships with related county and state agencies as well as non-profit service providers. **Done**

5) Restore relationships with neighbor island VW Programs. **Done**
FY 14 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Legislative

DONE

1) Strengthen our presence in the legislative arena by taking a more active role in working with lawmakers.

2) Lobby for increased protection for victims of domestic violence (HB 587).

3) Work closely with HPAA partners to support a coherent legislative agenda.

IN PROGRESS

1) Support Constitutional Amendment establishing Crime Victim Rights. Hawaii is one of 17 states without a Constitutional Amendment guaranteeing specific rights of crime victims and their immediate surviving family members.

2) HB1993 – Felony to commit domestic abuse in the presence of a child <14.
‘Anti-domestic violence’ Bill Signed

Increased protections for victims of domestic abuse.
FY 14 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Community Oriented Prosecution

ACCOMPLISHED:

1) Continue and strengthen community outreach and networking efforts by participating in community/neighborhood group meetings. Respond to inquiries for services and information.

2) Attend 40 community meetings in 2013. Part credit!
FY 14 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Property Crime Unit

ACCOMPLISHED:

1) Reduce time it takes to get repeat property crime offenders through the court system.

2) Expand Career Criminal and Property Crime prosecution unit (requesting enhanced CCP funding from Dept. of Attorney General, expand from two Deputies to three).

3) Eliminate screening backlog.

4) Partner with community organizations and law enforcement to recognize and respond to trends.
FY 14 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Cold Case Unit

ACCOMPLISHED:

1) Continue to review and prioritize ALL unsolved homicides (approximately 18) and undertake review of suspicious missing person cases. **Expanded review to 24 cases.**

2) Continue to make efficient use of grant funds for sophisticated forensic testing.
FY 15 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Case Management/Workflow

1. Interface with new KPD RMS to streamline work flow.

2. Work towards paperless workflow (receive reports from KPD electronically instead of hardcopy).

3. Mobile solutions (tie CMS into tablet devices for attorneys so that productivity continues regardless of location).
FY 15 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Technology Initiatives

1) Continue to work with HCJDC to streamline information exchanges between our CMS and state databases (CJIS, JJIS, JIMS, JEFS, Firearms registration, Sex Offender registry.

2) Move away from legacy information architecture. Minimize keystrokes clerks need to enter data.

3) Complete transition to paperless record archiving.

4) Continue portable computing usage (tablets, laptops) while increasing work and communications efficiency.
FY 15 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Legislative Initiatives

1. HB 1993 – Anti-Domestic Violence legislation.

2. Support Constitutional Amendment establishing Crime Victim Rights (SB 509/HB 1085). Hawaii is one of 17 states without a Constitutional Amendment guaranteeing specific rights of crime victims and their immediate surviving family members.

3. Work closely with HPAA/LEC partners to support a coherent legislative agenda.
FY 15 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Facilities

1) Build out VW cubicles to provide privacy for advocates to meet with victims and witnesses.
FY 15 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Cold Case Unit

1) Contract with DNA/forensic laboratory.

2) Make effective use of social media and web initiatives to gather tips and leads, keep cases in public’s eye.
SUCCESSES & ACHIEVEMENTS

Staffing

1) Turnover reduced.
2) Train Deputies, Managers, and Administrators; keep them engaged in their subject matter areas.
SUCCESSES & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Improved communication with Drug Court/HOPE staff
- Streamlined attorney time and resources by using information charging
- Keeping Simon reliable…and alive
- Effective global settlement of cases among deputies using JustWare
- Implemented CMS
- Consulted & assisted with homicide cases in other jurisdictions
- Efficient plea offer approval system between First Deputy and Deputies
- Timely plea offers have resulted in reduced court continuances
- Reduce/eliminate screening backlog
SUCCESSES & ACHIEVEMENTS

Cold Case Unit

- Identification of Nancy Baugh remains
- Grant continuity
- Addition of experienced staff
- Forensic analysis contract
- Social media
SUCCESSES & ACHIEVEMENTS
Collaboration with KPD
FY 14 PLANS & INITIATIVES

1) Case Management System implementation. **Done**

2) Victim/Witness Program reorganization. **Done**

3) Continuation of efforts to investigate and clear cold case homicides, utilizing the Cold Case Unit Grant funds. **Done**

4) Continuation of efforts to work with KPD, US Marshals, and Attorney General to bring non-compliant registered sex offenders into compliance and prosecute, where appropriate, violators. **Done** Grant awarded.

5) Integration of mobile devices (tablet computers) into the courtroom environment; technical training for Deputies. **Done**
PLANS/INITIATIVES FOR FY 15

1. Continue to customize/implement CMS. Roll out to tablets.

2. Continuation of efforts to investigate and clear cold case homicides, utilizing Ke’Ahi Pio’Ole grant funds.

3. Non-compliant sex offender efforts.

4. Continue VWP expansion utilizing VOCA grant funds.

5. Stay the course; focus on executing the mission.
Web Initiatives
www.kauai.gov/prosecutingattorney
Social Media Initiatives

www.facebook.com/cokopa
Social Media Initiatives

www.facebook.com/cokopa
Social Media Initiatives

www.instagram.com/kauaiprossecutingattorney
CHALLENGES

1) Integrating the ever-changing state/federal systems and interfaces (CJIS, JJIS, HIJIS, NCIC) into our CMS.

2) Moving goal posts in terms of shifting laws and decisions from appellate courts.

3) Mobile Citation Tickets = more than 1K new cases each year.

4) HOPE cases and Mental Health calendar – stretching resources.

5) Institutional resistance to change.
Long-Term Strategic Planning: A Kauai Family Justice Center

- Co-location of a multi-disciplinary team of professionals who work together, under one roof, to provide coordinated services to victims of family violence.

- Family Justice Centers are specifically defined in federal law and refer to the co-location of staff members from multiple agencies under one roof, including police officers, prosecutors, victim witness advocates, and community-based support service providers.

- The core concept is to provide one place where victims can go to talk to an advocate, plan for their safety, interview with a police officer, meet with a prosecutor, and receive information about medical care, shelter, transportation, and civil legal services.
Long-Term Strategic Planning
A Kauai Family Justice Center

- **Nationally**: Currently 80 in operation and another 100 in the planning process.

- **Phase I – History and Fundamentals**
  Learn more about the history of the Family Justice Center movement and understand the fundamental principles involved in developing and operating a Center.

- **Phase II – Orientation Process**
  Participate in Orientation Process to start a Family Justice Center by identifying key information and resources related to development and operation.

- **Phase III – Assessment, Implementation, and Support**
  1. **Community Assessment**
     Determine community's readiness for creating a Family Justice Center.
  2. **Strategic Planning and Implementation**
     Create a strategic plan and steps for implementing that plan.
  3. **Sustainability and Support**
     Identify and maintain on-going resources to ensure a successful, healthy Center.
BUDGET OVERVIEW

Operating Budget - Office of the Prosecuting Attorney

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Total Budget FY 2015: $3,587,068

FY 2015 Operating Budget

- Salary and Wages: $2,172,188
- Benefits: $1,228,817
- Utilities: $14,760
- Vehicle/Equip, Lease: $7,350
- Operations: $163,953

Total Budget FY 2015: $3,587,068
Mahalo nui loa!

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