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March 6, 2018

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senate President Kouchi and Members of the Senate:

RE: Appointment to Fill a Vacancy in the Office of Judge of the
First Circuit Court

On February 5, 2018, a list of nominees to fill the vacancy in the office of Judge of the First Circuit Court created by the retirement of Judge Rhonda A. Nishimura was presented to me by the Judicial Selection Commission.

In accordance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 3 of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I am herewith submitting to the Senate for its consideration and consent, my appointment of James H. Ashford to fill the vacancy in the office of Judge of the First Circuit Court created by Judge Nishimura's retirement. If confirmed by the Senate, Mr. Ashford's term of office will be ten years.

Sincerely,

David Y. Ige
Governor, State of Hawai'i