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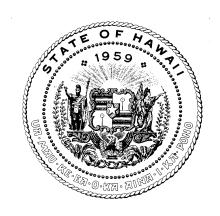
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The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands ("DHHL") submits this report pursuant to section 487J-4, Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("HRS").

On or about May 23, 2012, the DHHL discovered that a document containing personal information as defined in §487J-1 was provided to the contested case hearings officer and a private attorney during an agency contested case hearing on or about November 21, 2011. The document, a Kauai County police report dated October 15, 2010, contained the un-redacted names and social security numbers of three individuals.

When the DHHL director ("Director") became aware of the release of the information, she immediately ordered an investigation of the matter and ordered staff to contact the individuals involved. The private attorney has returned the document to DHHL and has confirmed that no other persons have viewed the document or information contained therein. The administrative hearings officer confirmed in an e-mail that he destroyed the document roughly one week after the contested case hearing, and that he did not share the document or its contents with any other person.

Based on DHHL's investigation, the Director has no reason to believe that illegal use of the personal information has occurred or is reasonably likely to occur that creates a risk of harm to the persons affected.

The staff members involved in this disclosure were individually counseled.