## Kalima Lawsuit Settlement Update

## **Settlement Payments to Deceased Class Members' Heirs**

Probate Special Master Emily Kawashima and Probate Special Counsel Scott Suzuki continue to carry out the court-approved Probate Plan, which entails petitioning the Probate Court to seek instructions about disbursing settlement payments to the heirs and devisees of Deceased Class Members.

As of January 8, 2025, 17 petitions been filed with the Probate Court, addressing the estates of approximately 500 Deceased Class Members.

Filed petitions are available on the www.kalima-lawsuit.com website under the "Documents" link. Information on hearing dates and the Deceased Class Members addressed in a particular petition is on the website and will be published in the Legal Notices section of the *Honolulu Star Advertiser.* 

## **Probate Process**

This Probate Process is expected to take about two years to complete. This process is intended to help assure that the settlement proceeds get to the correct people in the most efficient way possible. It is time consuming because of the enormous amount of information needed and care required by the Probate Special Master, Probate Special Counsel, Probate Court, Circuit Court, Claims Administrator, Trustee, Special Master and Class Counsel. This is a unique service in a class action lawsuit and all reasonable efforts are being made to expedite payments. Please be patient.

More information about the probate process and how Deceased Class Members' claims will be handled can be found on www.kalima-lawsuit.com.

## If You Have Questions

If you have questions regarding the contents of a Petition or Order, please address them to your own attorney (if you have one), or either the Probate Special Counsel or Probate Special Master.

As a courtesy, Probate Special Master Emily Kawashima and Probate Special Counsel Scott Suzuki will be conducting a Talk Story to answer questions about the probate process on Monday, February 3, 2025 from 5 pm to 6 pm. Please visit www.kalima-lawsuit.com for information on how to join the discussion by Zoom or telephone.

If you have questions about the status of a payment, please contact the Claims Administrator at <u>info@kalima-lawsuit.com</u> or at 1-808-650-5551 or 1-833-639-1308 (Toll-Free).

For other questions, please contact the Claims Administrator at info@kalimalawsuit.com or at 1-808-650-5551 or 1-833-639-1308 (Toll-Free). If you are available at limited times, please include that information in your message. Mahalo!