

KRISTEN OLEYTE



Date of birth: 1982-03-23

Hawaiian ancestry

My Native Hawaiian father, Christopher Oleyte was raised in Pahala, Hawaii; his mother, Virginia Oleyte raised her family on Hawaii island; & her mother Helen Kahoonei resided in Waimea, Kauai.

Educational background

Executive Leaders Program, NPS Center for Homeland Defense & Security ('14); Bachelors of Science in Plant Environmental Biotechnology, UH Manoa ('05); Kamehameha Schools Graduate ('00).

Employment history

Planner, PBR HAWAII & Associates Inc. Past: Sr. Policy Advisor, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Office of Insular Affairs ('10-'15); Legislative Assistant, Office of U.S. Senator Daniel Akaka ('05-'10).

Criminal record

No criminal record.

Personal statement

Raised in Mililani, my family nurtured my Native Hawaiian identity & commitment to serve my people. With a science background, I forged a path in policy & interned for Senator Daniel Akaka in 2004. My time in DC furthered my passion to meet our community's needs as a public servant.

For the last decade, as a Policy Advisor for Akaka & the Department of the Interior, I've worked extensively with native governments in the Pacific & U.S. My understanding of how

the structure & power of their governments achieve or limit successful outcomes is useful context as we govern our own affairs. As Akaka's DC advisor for 5 years, I'd seek to contribute my lessons learned in advancing federal recognition & derived from discussions with policy & legal experts.

I am dedicated to forming a government that will better manage our resources & develop culturally relevant, effective solutions. Our government needs to uphold our values, responding to present problems & emergent issues. Government powers need to be distributed to ensure transparency & accountability. The government should be sized to function with precision & robust participation. With humility & respect, I'd serve as an Oahu delegate.

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CAGAMPANG, DESMOND KUIOKALANI-LEE

DANNER, JADE LEIALOHA

JOHNSON, HOKUALA KARI

MALINA-WRIGHT, VERLIEANN

KAUHANE, MICHELLE KRISTIN MAHEALANI

BAPTISTE, ROBERT AUGUSTINE

TONG-PAVE, DAPHNE PUALANI YUK MOY

PUAOI, ROSALEE MILILANI

TORIKI, SHANNON KALEI TOSHIE