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MAOLI THURSDAY
THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016
11:45AM – 1:00PM • MOOT COURTCOURTROOM
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Building a Nation: Reflections on the ‘Aha and the Native Hawaiian Nation Constitution

In February 2016, more than one hundred Native Hawaiians convened on O‘ahu for an ‘Aha, a gathering focused on self-determination. Over the course of a month, participants explored potential pathways for self-determination and ultimately drafted and approved a Kumu Kānāwai or constitution. Supporters are now raising funds to move these efforts forward. William S. Richardson School of Law (WSRSL) students and alumni were instrumental in this historic process. Come and join us to learn more from the WSRSL ‘Aha participants about nation-building, the constitution, and next steps in this journey.

Keani Rawlins-Fernandez
Born and raised on Moloka‘i, Keani grew up understanding the benefits of community-based management and control. In 2015, Keani received a J.D. from WSRSL with certificates in Native Hawaiian and Environmental Law; she will earn her M.B.A. from Shidler Business School in May 2016.

Zuri “Z” Aki
Z is a third year law student (3L) at WSRSL. Z is currently running for the District 36 seat in the State House of Representatives. Z has worked as a Walt Disney Imagineer, columnist for Civil Beat, secondary school teacher, and organic farmer.

Rebecca ‘Iolani Soon
Rebecca is a 3L at WSRSL. She is the Executive Editor for the Asian-Pacific Law and Policy Journal, Captain of the Native American Moot Court Team, and a Justice on the Law Student Government Judiciary. Rebecca is the Chief Operating Officer at Solutions Pacific, a government consulting firm that focuses on community-based economic development.

Moderated by: Makana Paris
Makana, a 3L at WSRSL, is from Nānākuli. He serves as the Parliamentarian of the Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club and O‘ahu Council of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. Makana is a Research Analyst for the Hawai‘i Iron Workers Stabilization Fund, a maile farmer, an entrepreneur, and a consultant.

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