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ATTORNEY GENERAL SEEKS LAWYERS FOR CHEVRON-TEXACO CASE

Attorney General Earl Anzai announced today that based on preliminary investigation and serious expressions of interest by numerous national law firms he will be selecting lawyers to assist and advise the State regarding the States' potential claims against Chevron/Texaco. The claims arise out of the September 12, 2002 report authored by University of Michigan Professor Emeritus James E. Wheeler and University of Hawaii Professor Jeffrey Gramlich entitled, "How Chevron, Texaco, and the Government of Indonesia Structured Transactions and Agreements to Save Billions in U.S. Income Taxes" (the "Chevron Report"). Among the professors' claims is that Chevron owes the State of Hawaii \$563 million in unpaid taxes.

The Attorney General seeks lawyers who have the resources to handle the myriad of issues that may arise from the alleged transactions outlined in the Chevron Report. The search for lawyers will be nation-wide. Lawyers must be willing to work on a contingency fee basis and to absorb all costs involved in the litigation. For more information see the Attorney General's website at http://www.state.hi.us/ag/job_opportunities.htm. The deadline for the applications is Monday, October 21, 2002.

The Chevron Report and additional information can be viewed at the Professors' website at <http://www2.hawaii.edu/~gramlich/caltex/home.html>.

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