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WESTERN STATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL ELECT HAWAII ATTORNEY GENERAL DOUG CHIN AS NEW CHAIR

HONOLULU – The Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG) has chosen Hawaii Attorney General Doug Chin to be its new Chair for 2016-2017. The selection was announced during CWAG's annual meeting today in Idaho. Chin served as Vice-Chair from 2015-2016.

Chin is the first Attorney General from the state of Hawaii to serve as the chair of this conference. As Chair, Chin will also be on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Attorneys General, representing Western states.

Attorney General Chin will host CWAG members from March 14-16, 2017 in Honolulu for his Chair's Initiative Meeting and Western Pacific Attorneys General Summit. The topics of the meetings will include open government and sustainable energy solutions.

CWAG provides a forum for Western state attorneys general to cultivate knowledge, cooperate on concerns and coordinate actions that improve legal services available to members, consumers, industries and government agencies. CWAG addresses emerging legal topics along with focusing on common areas of interest to the West: water, fish and wildlife, public lands, minerals, environmental protection and Indian law. Member states and territories include Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

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