GOODSILL ANDERSON QUINN & STIFEL LLP



Attorneys and staff representing Goodsill's 150 person Ohana. Below: Gary M. Slovin, Managing Partner.

As Hawaii's largest law firm and one of its oldest, Goodsill Anderson Quinn & Stifel could rest on its notable laurels, with attorneys having served as Governor of the State and Associate Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court, among others. Instead, the kamaaina firm continues a rigorous course set by its distinguished late partner, Marshall Goodsill, who believed in "excellent and affordable work, high ethical standards and loyalty to clients," says Gary Slovin, managing partner.

"Marshall's example created a highly principled tradition in our work culture that values superior service and integrity in relationships," says Slovin. With a well-earned reputation for caring lawyers and an exceptional staff to support them, Goodsill is about its people, all 150 of them who work together every day to ensure that clients' needs are best served," says Slovin. In 2008, Goodsill is honored to be recognized as one of Hawaii's Best Places to Work.

With a current roster of 70 lawyers, Goodsill is a 130-year-old, Hawaii-based law firm offering knowledge and experience in all aspects of civil law to an impressive list of domestic and international clients. Collegiality and professional development are highly valued at all levels, resulting in an efficient and effective workplace, marked by a personalized approach that ultimately



benefits the firm's clients as well as its employees.

Community involvement, another Goodsill hallmark, is encouraged as a way for the firm to give back, with attorneys providing free legal services and firm-wide teams volunteering on community projects. The entire firm also joins in having fun together, such as a spirited Project Runway "paper fashion" competition during last year's holiday celebration.

Balancing work/life cuts across the firm, says Slovin, who had young children when he was hired in 1986, and saw lawyers and staff alike making time for family. The firm is an innovator as one of the early pioneers of maternity and paternity leave. Changing expectations of its younger team members has prompted Goodsill to seek expert guidance through intergenerational seminars and mentorship programs. Better efficiency is a major long range focus, including use of technology to keep services affordable and upto-date. Slovin is proud of the firm's strong, talented associates and its ability to attract skilled staff to help ensure continuity of excellence for years to come.

"Best Places to Work is a great honor, but it is also a challenge to live up to, because there is always more to do to be better," says Slovin.