

RICK FRIED IS ONE OF HAWAII'S MOST RECOGNIZED LAWYERS. He has been included in *THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA* since 1983; and honored in Honolulu Magazine as Hawaii's "Lawyer of the Year" in both Medical Malpractice and Personal Injury law. Rick won one of the largest court awards in the nation in 2024 for \$916 million, as well as having won some of Hawaii's largest medical malpractice court awards, including judgments of \$24.7 million, \$16.5 million and \$9 million.

With more than 50 years of experience, Rick has handled high profile personal injury and medical malpractice cases here in Hawaii and throughout the Pacific. From helicopter passengers blown out of the sky by a malfunctioning military missile, United flight 811 that lost a cargo door flying out of Honolulu sucking passengers out over the ocean, Aloha flight 242's loss of its upper fuselage leaving passengers exposed, to the administration of carbon dioxide instead of oxygen to a newborn baby resulting in permanent brain damage, Rick has done it all. He has numerous multi-million dollar recoveries arising out of automobile collisions, airplane and helicopter crashes, and medical malpractice.

Rick actively serves our community and our nation. He was stationed at Hickam Air Force Base during the Vietnam War. He made Hawaii home in 1968 after returning from deployment in Vietnam. While in the reserves, he served for many years as the Air Force Academy Liaison Officer Commander, for Hawaii high school students wishing to attend the Academy, before retiring at the rank of Lt. Colonel. Rick is co-director of the Hawaii Innocence Project; on the boards and executive committees of Make-A-Wish and Hawaii Theatre; was recently a board member and multi-year chair of the Hawaii Tourism Authority; and has served with many local civic organizations such as the Honolulu Symphony, Shriner's Hospital for Children and the ACLU.

A competitive tennis player since college, Rick was ranked #1 in the nation in his age group in 2022, inducted into the USTA Hawaii-Pacific Region Tennis Hall of Fame, is on the board of the US Int'l Lawn Tennis Assn, and has represented the United States in many international Senior Cup matches worldwide. Whether on the tennis court or in a court of law, Rick is driven to achieve the best results possible.