Medical Ethics: The Concept of Systems Safety and Individual Responsibility Within Malpractice Decision-Making

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UH Mānoa William S. Richardson School of Law, Classroom 2
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L. Richard Fried, Jr. settled in Hawai‘i in 1968 after the Vietnam War and retired as a United States Air Force Lieutenant Colonel. Fried was admitted to the bar in Hawai‘i in 1968 and co-founded Cronin, Fried, Sekiya & Haley in 1973. With over 35 years in practice, the firm has grown from four to 17 lawyers with over 50 employees. The firm specializes in medical malpractice, and includes personal injury, product liability and aviation law. To date, more than 50 verdicts and settlements, each in excess of $1 million, have been obtained in medical malpractice suits by the firm. Fried is active on the boards of the Hawaii Theatre Center, Shriners Hospitals for Children, the Honolulu Symphony and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Jerris Hedges, MD, MS, MMM became dean of the John A. Burns School of Medicine in March 2008, moving to Hawai‘i from Oregon Health & Sciences University (OHSU). During his twenty-year career at OHSU Medical School, Dr. Hedges served as professor and department chair in Emergency Medicine. He was named vice dean at OHSU in 2005. Dr. Hedges has also served as president of both the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine and the Association of Academic Chairs of Emergency Medicine. In October 2000, Dr. Hedges was elected to the prestigious National Academy of Sciences’ Institute of Medicine, which advises the nation on biomedical science, medicine and health.

Dr. Scott Sims, DVM grew up in the east bay area of northern California and graduated from the University of California Vet School in 1984. He worked on a research project involving equine laryngeal hemiplegia following graduation and did an internship at the South Valley Large Animal Clinic in South Jordan, Utah for four years before returning to California to practice. He started his own practice in Marin County in 1989. In 2002, he moved to Kaua‘i and started a new practice where he remains as that island’s only large animal veterinarian. He is active in wildlife rehabilitation with a “wildlife traveling free” policy at his clinic. He has spoken at the International Wildlife Rehabilitation and at the American Association of Equine Practitioners annual conventions.

Will K. Weinstein, money manager and former partner in two very successful investment banking firms, currently leads a post graduate summer course, “Integrity and Ethics in the Real World,” at the UH Mānoa William S. Richardson School of Law and the Shidler College of Business. This is Weinstein’s tenth summer teaching the course, introducing special guest speakers to the University and helping to make this conversation series available to the public.

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