

Ministry of Justice bid farewell to Justice Lesatele Rapi Vaai



On Friday, 24th February 2017, the Judiciary and the Ministry of Justice bid farewell to Justice Lesatele Rapi Vaai with a farewell party attended by Chief Justice, Patu Tiavaasue Falefatu Maka Sapolu, other members of the Judiciary, Hon. Minister of Justice Fa'aolesa Katopau T Ainuu who attended on behalf of Government, plus the Executive and staff of MJCA.

Chief Justice Sapolu thanked Justice Vaai for his lifetime commitment serving Samoa through the Judiciary. At the same time, marveled and shared a few jokes about Justice Vaai's sense of humour and direct personality. Hon. Faaolesa Katopau T Ainuu also shared the same remarks and echoed the great contribution Justice Vaai has done in maintaining law and order and ensuring justice prevails for the people of Samoa.

Justice Vaai has been a long serving member of the Judiciary of Samoa, who served the Courts for 21 years. In 1996 he was sworn in as a District Court Judge of Samoa, and in January 2014, he became a Judge of the Supreme Court of Samoa. According to Papalii John Taimalelagi Afele, CEO of MJCA, Justice Vaai has a spotless employment record in his career working as a Judge. There are no negative remarks in his employment records as he was committed to upholding the law and achieving justice.