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Judge won't drop Hall indictment

A judge yesterday refused to dismiss an indictment charging businessman Robert W. Hall with four counts of attempted murder for the May 17 shooting at the Waikiki Yacht Club.

Circuit Judge Richard Au ruled that the evidence presented to the Oahu grand jury was "sufficient" and "competent" to support the indictment.


Hall's attorney David Schutter last week argued that the evidence didn't establish that Hall intended to murder the victims.

However, Deputy Prosecutor Keith Kaneshiro said that the evidence showed that Hall shot at them. Such evidence supported the grand jury's "probable cause" finding that Hall intended to kill them, Kaneshiro said.

Schutter said he will ask for an immediate appeal of the ruling. If granted, Hall's trial scheduled for the week of Nov. 5 will be postponed pending the outcome of the appeal.

Hall is accused of shooting at four men, missing one and hitting three. One man was grazed in the buttocks, another shot in the calf and the third in the hip and knee.

Hall also was indicted on a firearm violation.

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