IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

FREDERICK SIANGCO, Plaintiff-Appellant

VS.

STATE OF HAWAI'I, Defendant-Appellee

and

JOHN DOES 1-25, Defendants

APPEAL FROM THE FIRST CIRCUIT COURT (CIV. NO. 99-2786)

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

(By: Moon, C.J., Levinson, Nakayama, Ramil, and Acoba, JJ.)

Upon review of the statement contesting jurisdiction and the record, it appears that: (1) the December 11, 2000 order granting summary judgment and dismissing Civil No. 99-2786 has not been reduced to a separate judgment, as required by Rule 58 of the Hawai'i Rules of Civil Procedure; and thus, (2) this appeal is premature and we lack jurisdiction. See Jenkins v. Cades Schutte Fleming & Wright, 76 Hawai'i 115, 869 P.2d 1334 (1994). Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this appeal is dismissed for lack of appellate jurisdiction.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, March 21, 2001.