IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

ALFRED S. REZENTES, Claimant-Appellant

VS.

AL REZENTES ROOFING, INC., Employer-Appellee and TIG INSURANCE COMPANY, Insurance Carrier-Appellee

APPEAL FROM THE LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS APPEALS BOARD

(CASE NO. AB 99-228 (H))

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

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

Upon review of the statements supporting and contesting jurisdiction and the record, it appears that: (1) notice of appeal from the October 29, 2001 decision and order of the Labor and Industrial Relations Appeals Board (LIRAB) must have been filed "within thirty days after mailing of a certified copy of the decision or order; " HRS § 386-88; see also HAR § 12-47-53(a); (2) a certified copy of the October 29, 2001 decision and order was mailed to the parties on October 29, 2001; (3) appellant's notice of appeal was filed on November 29, 2001, thirty-one days after the October 29, 2001 decision and order was mailed; (4) the thirty-day period for appeal was not extended for two additional days by operation of HRAP 26(c) inasmuch as HRAP 26(c) does not apply to a notice of appeal filed with the LIRAB (see HRAP 1) and HRAP 26(c) is invoked when a prescribed time is measured from the date of service and the prescribed time under HRS § 386-88 is not measured from the date of service, but is measured from the date of mailing; and thus, (5) this appeal is untimely and we lack jurisdiction; see Bacon v. Karlin, 68 Haw. 648, 650, 727 P.2d 1127, 1128 (1986) (the failure to file a timely notice of appeal in a civil case is a jurisdictional defect that can neither be

waived by the parties nor disregarded by the appellate court in the exercise of judicial discretion). Therefore,

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

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, March 28, 2002.