NO. 24735

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

PEARL N. TAKAYAMA, Petitioner-Appellee

vs.

GABRIEL A. ARAUJO, Respondent-Appellant

APPEAL FROM THE FIRST CIRCUIT COURT (FC-DA NO. 01-1-23348)

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

Upon review of the record, it appears that this court informed Appellant Gabriel A. Araujo by letter dated April 3, 2002 that the time for filing the opening brief expired on March 13, 2002 and that, pursuant to Rule 30 of the Hawai'i Rules of Appellate Procedure, the matter would be called to the attention of the court for such action as the court deemed proper including dismissal of the appeal. Appellant having failed to respond to said letter or to otherwise oppose dismissal,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the appeal is dismissed. DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, May 2, 2002.