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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

MATTHEW REYES, Petitioner,

vs.

THE HONORABLE THOMAS HAIA,
Judge of the District Court of the First Circuit, State of
Hawai‘i, Respondent Judge,

and

PETER TAISIPIC IRIARTE, Respondent.

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING
(1DRC-22-0004895)

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS
(By: Recktenwald, C.J., Nakayama, McKenna, Wilson, and Eddins, JJ.)

Upon consideration of the petition for writ of mandamus filed on October 17, 2022, and the record, the Respondent Judge acted on a subject properly before the district court when the Respondent Judge ruled on the motion to dismiss and motion to hold Respondent in contempt. Additionally, it was within the Respondent Judge’s discretion to grant or deny these

motions. Petitioner has not demonstrated a clear and indisputable right to relief, nor a lack of alternative means to seek relief. An extraordinary writ is thus not warranted. See Kema v. Gaddis, 91 Hawai‘i 200, 204, 982 P.2d 334, 338 (1999).

Accordingly,

It is ordered that the petition is denied.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai‘i, November 4, 2022.

/s/ Mark E. Recktenwald

/s/ Paula A. Nakayama

/s/ Sabrina S. McKenna

/s/ Michael D. Wilson

/s/ Todd W. Eddins

