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NO. CAAP-19-0000572

IN THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS

OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

PEI LI, Claimant-Appellant-Appellant,
v.

KYO-YA OHANA, LLC, Employer-Appellee-Appellee
and
ACCLAMATION INSURANCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES,
Third-Party Administrator-Appellee-Appellee

APPEAL FROM THE LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS APPEALS BOARD (CASE NO. AB 2018-076 AND DCD NO. 2-13-05568)

## SUMMARY DISPOSITION ORDER

(By: Leonard, Acting Chief Judge, Hiraoka and Wadsworth, JJ.)

Pei Li filed this appeal without counsel. His notice of appeal was filed by the Hawai'i Labor and Industrial Relations Appeals Board (LIRAB) on July 29, 2019. It appears he is appealing from the Decision and Order entered by LIRAB on July 3, 2019.

Li's opening brief does not comply with Hawai'i Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 28(b). A self-represented litigant's pleadings should be interpreted liberally, and they should not automatically be foreclosed from appellate review because they do not comply with court rules. <u>Erum v. Llego</u>, 147 Hawai'i 368, 380-81, 465 P.3d 815, 827-28 (2020). However, Li's brief has no statement of points of error and no argument. It consists of medical records and reports, with no explanation of why they are

material to this appeal, or why LIRAB's Decision and Order was clearly erroneous or wrong.

We are not obligated to search the record for information that should have been provided by Li. <a href="Hawaii">Hawaii</a>
<a href="Yentures">Wentures</a>, LLC v. Otaka</a>, Inc., 114 Hawaiii 438, 480, 164 P.3d 696, 738 (2007) (first citing <a href="Lanai Co.">Lanai Co.</a>, Inc. v. <a href="Land Use Comm">Land Use Comm"</a>, 105 Hawaiii 296, 309 n.31, 97 P.3d 372, 385 n.31 (2004) (explaining that an appellate court "is not obligated to sift through the voluminous record to verify an appellant's inadequately documented contentions" (citations omitted)); and then citing <a href="Miyamoto v. Lum">Miyamoto v. Lum</a>, 104 Hawaiii 1, 11 n.14, 84 P.3d 509, 519 n.14 (2004)). Accordingly, the Decision and Order entered by LIRAB on July 3, 2019, is affirmed.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, February 6, 2024.

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/s/ Katherine G. Leonard Acting Chief Judge

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