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NO. CAAP-25-0000623

IN THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

A.B., Plaintiff-Appellee, v.  
J.M., Defendant-Appellant

APPEAL FROM THE FAMILY COURT OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT  
(CASE NO. 3FDV-24-0000414)

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

(By: Hiraoka, Presiding Judge, Wadsworth and Guidry, JJ.)

Upon review of the record in CAAP-25-0000623 and 3FDV-24-0000414,<sup>1</sup> it appears that:

(1) Defendant-Appellant **J.M.** appeals from the August 11, 2025 *Order Denying Defendant's Petition for Return of Subject Children to Defendant-Father* entered by the Family Court of the Third Circuit.

(2) We lack jurisdiction over this appeal because the Family Court has not entered an order for dissolution of the marriage, HRS § 571-54 (2018); DL v. CL, 146 Hawai'i 328, 337, 463 P.3d 985, 994 (2020), and the August 11, 2025 Order is not independently appealable, see Greer v. Baker, 137 Hawai'i 249,

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<sup>1</sup> The court takes judicial notice of the record in 3FDV-24-0000414. Hawai'i Rules of Evidence Rule 201.

253, 369 P.3d 832, 836 (2016) (reciting the requirements for appeals under the collateral-order doctrine and the Forgay doctrine); HRS § 641-1(b) (2016) (setting forth the requirements for leave to file an interlocutory appeal).

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the court will take no further action on the December 18, 2025 Order to Show Cause.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all pending motions are dismissed.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, March 4, 2026.

/s/ Keith K. Hiraoka  
Presiding Judge

/s/ Clyde J. Wadsworth  
Associate Judge

/s/ Kimberly T. Guidry  
Associate Judge