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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

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SHELDON KALANI SONIDO, Petitioner,

vs.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT,  
State of Hawai‘i, Respondent Court,

and

HAWAII STATE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Respondent.

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ORIGINAL PROCEEDING  
(CASE NO. 1DRC-25-0004620)

ORDER DENYING PETITION

(By: McKenna, Acting C.J., Eddins, Ginoza, and Devens, JJ.,  
and Circuit Judge Drewyer, assigned by reason of vacancy)

Upon consideration of the petition for writs of prohibition, mandamus, and certiorari, filed August 21, 2025, and the record, the district court had jurisdiction to determine whether it had jurisdiction over Petitioner’s counterclaim. See Schwartz v. State, 136 Hawai‘i 258, 263, 361 P.3d 1161, 1166 (2015). If the district court concludes it lacks jurisdiction

over the counterclaim, as it did in 1DRC-25-0004620, the district court may issue a decision stating as much. See In re Kanahale, 152 Hawai‘i 501, 514, 526 P.3d 478, 491 (2023). If Petitioner disagreed with the district court’s dismissal of the counterclaim, Petitioner could have sought review of the dismissal on appeal from the district court’s judgment. See Hawai‘i Revised Statutes § 641-1(a) (2016).

Petitioner has not demonstrated a clear and indisputable right to relief, nor a lack of alternatives to obtain the relief sought. See Womble Bond Dickinson (US) LLP v. Kim, 153 Hawai‘i 307, 319, 537 P.3d 1154, 1166 (2023).

It is ordered that the petition for writs of mandamus and prohibition are denied.

It is also ordered that the petition for a writ of certiorari is dismissed without prejudice. See Hawai‘i Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 40.1(a)(1) (requiring an application for a writ of certiorari “be filed within 30 days after the filing of the intermediate court of appeals’ judgment on appeal or dismissal order”).

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai‘i, April 22, 2026.

/s/ Sabrina S. McKenna  
/s/ Todd W. Eddins  
/s/ Lisa M. Ginoza  
/s/ Vladimir P. Devens  
/s/ Michelle L. Drewyer

