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**JUDGE DISMISSES INMATE LAWSUIT**

HONOLULU – Attorney General Doug Chin announced today that state circuit judge Rhonda A. Nishimura entered judgment in favor of the State of Hawaii in a lawsuit brought by a Halawa Correctional Facility inmate, alleging that the facility failed to make timely repairs and caused personal injury to the inmate. Trial had been scheduled for September 5, 2017, but this judgment ends the lawsuit.

**Attorney General Chin** said: “My office will vigorously defend the state public safety department against allegations lacking merit.”

The State was represented internally by Deputy Attorney General Kathy Higham.

A copy of the judgment is attached.

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STATE OF HAWAII  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT

STATE OF HAWAII

ERIC AIWOHI;

Plaintiff,

v.

STATE OF HAWAII; DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY; and DOE  
DEFENDANTS 1-100;

Defendants.

CIVIL NO. 15-1-1384-07 RAN  
(Other Non-Vehicle Tort)

FINAL JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF  
DEFENDANTS STATE OF HAWAII AND  
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
AND AGAINST PLAINTIFF ERIC  
AIWOHI

Trial Date: September 5, 2017  
Judge: The Honorable Rhonda A. Nishimura

FINAL JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF DEFENDANTS STATE  
OF HAWAII AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
SAFETY AND AGAINST PLAINTIFF ERIC AIWOHI

Pursuant to Rule 58 of the Hawaii Rules of Civil Procedure and the Order Granting  
Defendants State of Hawaii and Department of Public Safety's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff Eric  
Aiwohi's Complaint Filed July 16, 2015, which order was filed on July 27, 2017,  
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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that final judgment is hereby  
entered in favor of Defendants State of Hawaii and the Department of Public Safety and against

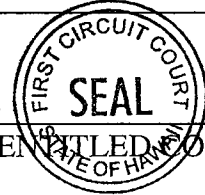
Plaintiff ERIC AIWOHI upon all counts in Plaintiff Eric Aiwohi's Complaint, filed July 16, 2015.

This final judgment is entered as to all claims raised by all parties, and it resolves all claims by and against all parties in the above-entitled case. No claims or parties remain.

Dated: Honolulu, Hawaii, \_\_\_\_\_

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RHONDA A. NISHIMURA  
JUDGE OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT



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ERIC AIWOHI

Plaintiff, *Pro Se*

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*Eric Aiwohi v. State of Hawaii; Department of Public Safety, et al.*; Civil No. 15-1-1384-07  
RAN; Circuit Court of the First Circuit; State of Hawaii; FINAL JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF  
DEFENDANTS STATE OF HAWAII AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND  
AGAINST PLAINTIFF ERIC AIWOHI