

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

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OPINION

PER CURIAM.

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ODDP SCPW-XX-XXXXXXX IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

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BALES; MAUREEN N. RAWLINS; EVA E. NANI‘OLE; JANICE P.K. KAHO‘OHANO HANO;
and CAROLINE R.P. MONTAGUE-MULLINS, Petitioners, vs. JOSH GREEN, Governor of the
State of Hawai‘i; OFFICE OF ELECTIONS, STATE OF HAWAI‘I; BOARD OF
REGISTRATION, ISLAND OF HAWAI‘I; SUSAN L.K.

LEE LOY; and JON HENRICKS, in official capacity as County Clerk, County of Hawai‘i,
Respondents. _____

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING ORDER DENYING PETITION WITHOUT PREJUDICE (By:
McKenna, Acting C.J., Eddins, Ginoza, and Devens, JJ., and Circuit Judge Hamman, assigned by
reason of vacancy) Upon consideration of the petition for writ of mandamus or extraordinary writ,
filed April 29, 2025, and the record, Petitioners have not shown there are any qualified candidates
who are willing to serve on the Board of Registration for the island of Hawai‘i, the Governor is
aware of these candidates, and the Governor has unreasonably refused to appoint a qualified
candidate to the Board.

See Hawai‘i Revised Statutes § 11-41 (2009 & Supp. 2023); Hanabusa v. Lingle, 119 Hawai‘i
341, 350-52, 198 P.3d 604, 613-15 (2008). An extraordinary writ is unwarranted at this time. 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 is denied without prejudice. DATED: Honolulu, Hawai‘i, December
10, 2025. /s/ Sabrina S. McKenna /s/ Todd W. Eddins /s/ Lisa M. Ginoza /s/ Vladimir P. Devens /s/
Kirstin M. Hamman 2