

INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

The Estate of Christopher Thompson, also known as Christopher M. Thompson, also known as Christopher Michael Thompson

Estate of Thompson · No. CAAP-XX-XXXXXXX · Decided June 17, 2026

SUMMARY

The Intermediate Court of Appeals of Hawai‘i approved the parties’ stipulation to dismiss an appeal from a probate matter with prejudice. The court ordered dismissal under Hawai‘i Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 42(a) and directed the parties to bear their own appellate attorneys’ fees and costs.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Intermediate Court of Appeals of the State of Hawai‘i
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Karen T. Nakasone, Chief Judge; Clyde J. Wadsworth, Associate Judge; Daniel M. Gluck, Associate Judge
JURISDICTION	Intermediate Court of Appeals of the State of Hawai‘i
DECIDED	June 17, 2026
DOCKET	CAAP-XX-XXXXXXX
DISPOSITION	dismissed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Petitioner-Appellant moved to dismiss the appeal pursuant to a stipulation signed by counsel for all parties.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Nonprecedential; marked not for publication in the West's Hawai‘i Reports and Pacific Reporter.
PARTIES	Jon A. Menten

TOPICS

- appellate procedure
- probate procedure
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PRACTICE AREAS

- appellate procedure
- probate

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the court should approve the parties' stipulation for dismissal of the appeal under Hawai‘i Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 42(a).

HOLDINGS

1. The court approved the parties' stipulation for dismissal with prejudice because the appeal had not yet been docketed, the stipulation was signed by counsel for all parties, and dismissal was authorized by Hawai'i Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 42(a).

KEY QUOTATIONS

"Therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the stipulation is approved and the appeal is dismissed. The parties shall bear their own attorneys' fees and costs on appeal."

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The appeal arose from proceedings involving the Estate of Christopher Thompson. Before the appeal was docketed, Petitioner-Appellant Jon A. Menten filed a stipulation for dismissal with prejudice dated and signed by counsel for all parties. The parties agreed to bear their own attorneys' fees and costs on appeal.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The matter was an appeal from the Circuit Court of the Second Circuit in a probate proceeding. Before the appeal was docketed, the parties stipulated to dismissal with prejudice, with each side bearing its own attorneys' fees and costs. The Intermediate Court of Appeals approved the stipulation and dismissed the appeal.

DISPOSITION

dismissed

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