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> Re: Baker v. Kealoha, No. 12-16258 D.C. No. 1:11-cv-00528-ACK-KSC, District of Hawaii, Honolulu Oral argument Thursday, December 6, 2012, 9:00 a.m.

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

I am writing to notify the Court that there will be no appearance on behalf of Defendants State of Hawaii and Governor Neil Abercrombie at the oral argument scheduled for December 6, 2012. The district court granted the State and the Governor's motion for judgment on the pleadings and Plaintiff did not appeal that ruling. The State and the Governor therefore have not participated in this appeal, including not filing a brief with this Court.

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If there are any questions or comments I may be reached at (808) 586-

Respectfully submitted,

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