

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**BEFORE**

**THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS**

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In the Matter of:	)	
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Shara Gibson,	)	OEA Matter No. 1601-0097-17
Employee	)	
	)	Date of Issuance: May 7, 2018
v.	)	
	)	Joseph E. Lim, Esq.
Department of Small &	)	Senior Administrative Judge
Local Business Development,	)	
Agency	)	
_____	)	
Michael Speker, Esq., Employee Representative		
Milena Mikailova, Esq., Agency Representative		

**INITIAL DECISION**

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On September 29, 2017, Shara Gibson (“Employee”) filed a petition for appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals (“the OEA” or “the Office”) contesting the Department of Small & Local Business Development’s (“Agency” or “MPD”) action of terminating her employment for being absent without leave and willfully reporting false information. After an unsuccessful mediation attempt, this appeal was assigned to me on February 5, 2018. I scheduled a prehearing conference for April 17, 2018. The parties submitted a motion to stay the conference and on May 2, 2018, Employee submitted a notice of withdrawal of her appeal, stating that they had settled the matter. The record is now closed.

JURISDICTION

This Office has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to D.C. Official Code §1-606.03 (2001).

ISSUE

Whether this appeal should be dismissed.

FINDINGS OF FACTS, ANALYSIS, AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Since the parties have settled the matter, Employee's petition for appeal is dismissed.

ORDER

It is hereby ORDERED that the petition in this matter is dismissed with prejudice.

FOR THE OFFICE:

Joseph E. Lim, Esq.  
Senior Administrative Judge