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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BEFORE
THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

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In the Matter of:)	
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SHELLIE BOWERS,)	OEA Matter No. 1601-0205-11
Employee)	
)	
v.)	Date of Issuance: October 31, 2013
)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)	STEPHANIE N. HARRIS, Esq.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS,)	Administrative Judge
Agency)	
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_____)	
Shellie Bowers, Jr., Employee <i>Pro-Se</i>		
Sara White, Esq., Agency Representative		

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On August 30, 2011, Employee filed a Petition for Appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals (“OEA”) contesting the District of Columbia Public Schools’ (“DCPS” or “Agency”) decision to terminate him from his position as an Administrative Aide due to receiving an Ineffective rating for the 2010-2011 school year. Employee’s termination was effective July 29, 2011.

I was assigned this matter on June 18, 2013. On September 3, 2013, the undersigned issued an Order directing the parties to appear at a Prehearing Conference on October 1, 2013 (“October 1st Prehearing Conference”). Agency’s Representative was present for the October 1st Prehearing Conference, but Employee failed to appear. On October 1, 2013, the undersigned issued an Order for Statement of Good Cause for Employee’s failure to appear at the designated Prehearing Conference. Subsequently, on October 3, 2013, Employee filed a request to voluntarily withdraw his Petition for Appeal. The record is now closed.

JURISDICTION

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

ISSUE

Whether this matter should be dismissed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

Employee has voluntarily withdrawn his Petition for Appeal. Pursuant to this withdrawal, I conclude that this matter is dismissed.

ORDER

It is hereby **ORDERED** that this matter be **DISMISSED**.

FOR THE OFFICE:

STEPHANIE N. HARRIS, Esq.
Administrative Judge