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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

<u>In the Matter of:</u>)	
)	
VALERIE R. WILSON)	OEA 2401-0097-04
Employee)	
)	Date of Issuance: November 14, 2005
v.)	
)	Rohulamin Quander, Esq.
)	Senior Administrative Judge
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)	
PUBLIC SCHOOLS)	
Agency)	

Valerie R. Wilson, Employee, *pro se*
Harriet Segar, Esq., Agency Representative

INITIAL DECISION

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS OF FACT

On June 17, 2005, Employee, an ET 15 Counselor with the D.C. Public Schools (the "Agency"), filed with the D.C. Office of Employee Appeals (the "Office"), a Petition for Appeal from Agency's notification letter, dated May 27, 2004, removing her from her position, effective June 30, 2004, as a component of an Agency-wide reduction in force (RIF) for financial reasons.

This matter was assigned to me on January 4, 2005. On January 10, 2005, I issued an Order convening a Status Conference for February 1, 2005. During the Status Conference, the issue of reaching a settlement was raised, since Employee had continued to work for the Agency, although at another location. The Employee indicated at that time that she would consider withdrawing her Petition, if she could obtain written verification from the Agency that there was no break in service or loss of benefits between the dates of the pending RIF and the time of her reinstatement and reassignment.

The written verification was not promptly received, but was provided by the Agency to the Employee on August 3, 2005. Valerie Shepard, Director, Staffing and Employment Services for the Agency, confirmed in her letter that a review of Agency's personnel and payroll records verifies that Employee sustained no break in service or loss of salary or benefits, as she was reinstated and continued to serve on an uninterrupted basis for the purpose of all employee entitlements. A copy of the letter was provided to the Office on October 25, 2005, attached to Employee's written directive that she wished to withdraw her Petition, noting that the matter is now settled.

JURISDICTION

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

ISSUE

Whether this matter may now be dismissed.


ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

Employee, having been assured in writing that she sustained no losses incidental to the proposed RIF, has elected to withdraw this above noted matter with prejudice. Pursuant to Employee's request, I conclude that this matter may now be dismissed.

ORDER

It is hereby ORDERED that Employee's request should be granted, and that this matter is DISMISSED.

FOR THE OFFICE:



ROHULAMIN QUANDER, ESQ.
Senior Administrative Judge