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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

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In the Matter of:)	
)	OEA Matter No.: 1601-0111-13
WILLIAM GRAY,)	
Employee)	
)	Date of Issuance: April 3, 2014
v.)	
)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)	
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,)	
Agency)	Sommer J. Murphy, Esq.
_____)	Administrative Judge
Ethan Sapperstein, Esq., Employee Representative		
Andrea Comentale, Esq., Agency Representative		

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On June 27, 2013, William Gray (“Employee”) filed a Petition for Appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals (“OEA” or the “Office”) contesting the District of Columbia Department of Mental Health’s (“Agency”) action of terminating his employment as a Recreation Therapist. The effective date of Employee’s termination was May 31, 2013.

I was assigned this matter in March of 2014. On March 7, 2014, I issued an Order convening a Prehearing Conference to be held at this Office on April 14, 2014, for the purpose of assessing the parties’ arguments. On April 1, 2014, Employee, through counsel, submitted a written motion to 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 appeal should be dismissed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

Since Employee has submitted a voluntarily withdrawal of his appeal, Employee's Petition for Appeal is hereby dismissed.

ORDER

It is **ORDERED** that Employee's Petition for Appeal is **DISMISSED**.

FOR THE OFFICE:

SOMMER J. MURPHY, ESQ.
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE