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**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**BEFORE**  
**THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS**

In the Matter of:	)	
KEVIN WILLIAMS,	)	
Employee	)	OEA Matter No. 1601-0002-20
	)	
v.	)	Date of Issuance: August 6, 2020
	)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT	)	
OF CORRECTIONS,	)	MONICA DOHNJI, Esq.
Agency	)	Senior Administrative Judge
	)	
Kevin Williams, Employee <i>Pro Se</i>		
Anna Kaprelova, Esq., Agency's Representative		

**INITIAL DECISION<sup>1</sup>**

**INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

On October 30, 2019, Kevin Williams, (“Employee”) filed a Petition for Appeal with the D.C. Office of Employee Appeals (“OEA” or “Office”) contesting the District of Columbia Department of Corrections’ (“DC DOC” or “Agency”) decision to terminate him from his position of Monitoring Specialist, effective October 4, 2019. On December 10, 2019, Agency filed its Answer to Employee’s Petition for Appeal. This matter was assigned to a Mediator for mandatory Mediation. Following a successful mediation, on July 4, 2020, Employee submitted a written request to withdraw his Petition for Appeal. Specifically, Employee noted that “... as part of my agreement with the District of Columbia, Department of Corrections, upon resolution of my case, I hereby submit this written request to withdraw my petition for appeal pertaining to OEA matter NO.1601-0002-20.”<sup>2</sup> This matter was assigned to the undersigned on July 17, 2020. The record is now closed.

<sup>1</sup> This decision was issued during the District of Columbia's COVID-19 State of Emergency.

<sup>2</sup> Employee’s request for withdrawal (July 4, 2020).

JURISDICTION

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

ISSUE

Whether Employee's Petition for Appeal should be dismissed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

D.C. Official Code §1-606.06(b) (2001) states in pertinent part that:

If the parties agree to a settlement without a decision on the merits of the case, a settlement agreement, prepared and signed by all parties, shall constitute the final and binding resolution of the appeal, and the [Administrative Judge] shall dismiss the appeal with prejudice.

In the instant matter, the parties have agreed and executed a settlement agreement, and Employee has voluntarily withdrawn his Petition for Appeal in this matter Therefore, I find that Employee's Petition for Appeal shall be dismissed.

ORDER

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the Petition for Appeal in this matter is **DISMISSED**.

FOR THE OFFICE:

/s/ Monica N. Dohnji

MONICA DOHNJI, Esq.  
Senior Administrative Judge