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**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**BEFORE**

**THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS**

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In the Matter of:	)	
	)	
ABDUL SPRINGER,	)	
Employee	)	OEA Matter No. 1601-0064-17
	)	
v.	)	Date of Issuance: September 18, 2017
	)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS,	)	MONICA DOHNJI, Esq.
Agency	)	Senior Administrative Judge
_____	)	
Abdul Springer, Employee, <i>Pro Se</i>		
Carl Turpin, Esq., Agency's Representative		

**INITIAL DECISION**

**INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND**

On July 28, 2017, Abdul Springer ("Employee") filed a Petition for Appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals ("OEA" or "Office") contesting the District of Columbia Public Schools' ("Agency" or "DCPS") decision to terminate him from his position of Special Education Teacher, effective August 26, 2017. On August 29, 2017, this Office notified Agency of Employee's Petition for Appeal. Agency was required to submit an Answer to the Petition for Appeal no later than September 28, 2017. Thereafter, on August 30, 2017, Employee filed a notice with OEA withdrawing his Petition for Appeal. I was assigned this matter on September 11, 2017. The record is now closed.

**JURISDICTION**

The jurisdiction of this Office, pursuant to *D.C. Official Code, § 1-606.03 (2001)*, has not been established.

**ISSUE**

Whether Employee's Petition for Appeal should be dismissed.

**ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

In the instant matter, Employee noted in his August 30, 2017, letter to OEA that "[a]t this time[,] I[,] Abdul Springer[,] would like to withdraw my Petition to appeal my unjust termination

against DCPS (sic).”<sup>1</sup> Since Employee has voluntarily withdrawn his Petition for Appeal, Employee's appeal is DISMISSED.

ORDER

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

FOR THE OFFICE:

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MONICA DOHNJI, Esq.  
Senior Administrative Judge

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<sup>1</sup> See Employee's August 30, 2017, submission to OEA. Since Employee has voluntarily withdrawn his Petition for Appeal, Agency is no longer required to submit an Answer in this matter.