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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

In the Matter of:)	
)	
STEVEN B. CHASIN,)	
Employee)	OEA Matter No. 1601-0087-09
)	
V.)	Date of Issuance: November 21, 2011
)	
D.C. FIRE AND EMERGENCY)	
MEDICAL SERVICES,)	
Agency)	ERIC T. ROBINSON, Esq.
)	Administrative Judge
)	
Steven B. Chasin, Employee <i>Pro-S</i>	Se	

Thelma G. Chichester, Esq., Agency Representative

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On February 19, 2009, Steven B. Chasin ("Employee") filed a petition for appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals ("OEA" or "the Office") contesting the District of Columbia Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department's ("FEMS" or "the Agency") action of suspending him from service for 18 calendar days. I was assigned this matter on or around September 8, 2009. Several conferences in this matter were scheduled in order for the Undersigned to fully understand the jurisdictional issue that was in question in this matter. On November 21 2011, after extensive and time consuming settlement negotiations, the parties forwarded to the OEA a fully executed settlement agreement. This agreement resolved all of the underlying issues in this matter. In consideration of the settlement agreement, I have decided that no further proceedings are warranted. The record is now closed.

JURISDICTION

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

ISSUE

Should this matter be dismissed?

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

I am guided by the Office of Employee Appeals ("OEA") rules in this matter. OEA Rule 607.1 provides that "the Office shall exert every possible effort to resolve matters by mediation and conciliation, to the extent possible, rather than through litigation." Furthermore, OEA Rule 607.10 states that "if the parties reach settlement, the matter shall be dismissed in accordance with D.C. Code § 1-606.6(b)." The parties have submitted a fully executed settlement agreement that resolves the underlying issues that formed the basis of Employee's petition for appeal. I find that Employee's petition for appeal should be dismissed in accordance with OEA Rule 607.10.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED that this matter be DISMISSED.

FOR THE OFFICE:	
	ERIC T. ROBINSON Esq.
	Administrative Judge