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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

In the Matter of:	
LANDRY WILLIAMS,) Employee)	OEA Matter No. J-0010-20
v.)	Date of Issuance: January 27, 2020
D.C. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,	MONICA DOHNJI, Esq. Senior Administrative Judge
Agency) Charles E. Walton, Esq., Employee's Representative Andrea Comentale, Esq., Agency's Representative	S

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On November 20, 2019, Landry Williams, ("Employee") filed a Petition for Appeal with the D.C. Office of Employee Appeals ("OEA" or "Office") contesting the D.C. Department of Public Works' ("DPW" or "Agency") decision to terminate him from his position of Heavy Mobile Equipment Inspector, effective October 14, 2019. This matter was assigned to the undersigned on December 3, 2019. Thereafter, Agency filed its Answer to Employee's Petition for Appeal on December 20, 2019, noting that OEA lacked jurisdiction over this matter because Employee's Petition for Appeal was untimely. Agency also noted that Employee filed a grievance with his Union prior to filing his Petition for Appeal with this Office. On January 10, 2020, I issued an Order requiring Employee to address the jurisdiction issues raised by Agency in its Answer. Subsequently, on January 24, 2020, Employee, through his representative, submitted a response to the January 10, 2020, jurisdiction Order noting that "[a]s of December 2019, Mr. Landry Williams elected to continue his grievance with the Union and not pursue his appeal with OEA. His case with the Office of Employee Appeals is hereby withdrawn." The record is now closed.

¹ Legal Brief in the case of Landry Williams v. D.C. Department of Public Works, OEA Matter (January 24, 2020).

JURISDICTION

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<u>ISSUE</u>

Whether Employee's Petition for Appeal should be dismissed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

In the instant matter, since Employee has withdrawn his Petition for Appeal with OEA, I find that Employee's Petition for Appeal is dismissed.

ORDER

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

FOR THE OFFICE:	
	MONICA DOHNJI, Esq. Senior Administrative Judge