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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

In the Matter of:)
CYNTHIA CONYER, Employee	
V.)))
OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, Agency)))))

OEA Matter No.: 1601-0156-12

Date of Issuance: January 25, 2013

STEPHANIE N. HARRIS, Esq. Administrative Judge

Cynthia Conyer, Employee *Pro-Se* Hillary Hoffman-Peak, Esq., Agency Representative

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On July 20, 2012, Employee appealed her termination from the District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education ("Agency" or "OSSE"). Meditation Conferences were held on December 6, 2012, and December 13, 2012. Subsequently, the parties were able to reach a settlement in this matter. On January 4, 2013, the parties submitted a signed settlement agreement, which denoted that Employee was withdrawing her Petition for Appeal. This matter was assigned to me on January 18, 2013. The record is now closed.

JURISDICTION

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

ISSUE

Whether this matter should be dismissed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

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.

The parties have submitted an executed settlement agreement, including a Statement of Withdrawal from Employee. Therefore, Employee's Petition for Appeal is dismissed.

ORDER

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the petition in this matter is **DISMISSED**.

FOR THE OFFICE:

STEPHANIE N. HARRIS, Esq. Administrative Judge