## THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# BEFORE

## THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

In the Matter of:	)
Latonya Knight, Employee	
v.	
Office of the State Superintendent of Education, Agency	

OEA Matter No.: 1601-0197-12

Date of Issuance: February 13, 2013

Joseph E. Lim, Esq. Senior Administrative Judge

Latonya Knight, Employee *pro se* Hillary Hoffman-Peak, Esq., Agency Representative

## **INITIAL DECISION**

#### **INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF FACTS**

Employee filed a petition for appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals (OEA) on August 13, 2012, appealing Agency's final decision to terminate her for "any act which constitutes a criminal offense whether or not the act results in a conviction, specifically: making a false statement or representation knowing it to be a false or knowingly failing to disclose a material fact to obtain or increase unemployment benefits." A mandatory mediation was held on January 24, 2013, and resulted in a settlement agreement. Around February 5, 2013, the parties submitted a signed withdrawal of her petition. The record is now closed.

## **JURISDICTION**

This Office has jurisdiction pursuant to D.C. Office Code Section 1-606.03 (2001).

## **ISSUE**

Should this matter be dismissed?

## FINDINGS OF FACT, ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Administrative Judge is authorized to dismiss this matter based on Employee's request that the petition for appeal be withdrawn as a result of the voluntary settlement of the matter. *See Rollins v. District of Columbia Public Schools*, OEA Matter No. J-0086-92, *Opinion and Order on Petition for Review* (December 3, 1990).

## <u>ORDER</u>

It is hereby ORDERED that the petition for appeal is DISMISSED with prejudice.

FOR THE OFFICE:

Joseph E. Lim, Esq. Senior Administrative Judge