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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

In the Matter of:		
KEISHA MCKITTY,)	OEA Matter No. 2401-0042-11
Employee)	Date of Issuance: January 23, 2013
v.)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)	STEPHANIE N. HARRIS, Esq.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS,)	Administrative Judge
Agency)	-
)	
	_)	
Keisha McKitty, Employee <i>Pro-Se</i>		
Sara White, Esq., Agency Representative	e	

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On December 10, 2010, Employee filed a Petition for Appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals ("OEA") contesting the District of Columbia Public Schools' ("DCPS" or "Agency") decision to terminate her position through a Reduction-in-Force ("RIF"). In a letter dated October 22, 2010, Agency informed Employee that her position was being eliminated through a RIF, effective November 21, 2010.

I was assigned this matter on July 30, 2012. On October 12, 2012, the undersigned issued an Order ("October 12th Order") directing the parties to address whether Agency, in conducting the instant RIF, adequately followed proper District of Columbia statutes, regulations and laws. Employee failed to submit a brief in this matter, resulting in two Orders for Statements of Good Cause being issued on November 7, 2012, and December 19, 2012. Subsequently, on January 4, 2013, Employee filed a request to voluntarily withdraw her Petition for Appeal. The record is now closed.

JURISDICTION

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

ISSUE

Whether this matter should be dismissed.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

Employee has voluntarily withdrawn her Petition for Appeal. Pursuant to this withdrawal, I conclude that this matter is dismissed.

<u>ORDER</u>

It is hereby **ORDERED** that this matter be **DISMISSED**.

FOR THE OFFICE:

STEPHANIE N. HARRIS, Esq. Administrative Judge