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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE

THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE APPEALS

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In the Matter of:)	
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J.W. BRADDOCK RICHARDSON,)	
Employee)	OEA Matter No. J-0112-09-R-11
)	
v.)	Date of Issuance: October 11, 2011
)	
D.C. DEPARTMENT OF)	
CORRECTIONS,)	
Agency)	ERIC T. ROBINSON, Esq.
)	Administrative Judge
_____)	

David Cashdan, Esq., Employee Representative
Maria Amato, Esq., General Counsel – Department of Corrections

INITIAL DECISION

INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On April 13, 2009, Employee filed a petition for appeal with the Office of Employee Appeals (“OEA” or “the Office”) contesting his termination. This matter was initially assigned to Senior Administrative Judge Rohulamin Quander. Judge Quander has since retired from service with the OEA. This matter was then reassigned to the undersigned. During this time of transition, the parties were undertaking their own efforts to settle this matter. On October 11, 2011, Employee’s Representative submitted a signed 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 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 § 1-606.06(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 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