

STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

CARMAJENE WISE,

Petitioner,

v.

PROGRESSIVE MANAGEMENT INC. AND
DAN D'ONOFRIO,

Respondents.

HUD Case No. 04-06-0612-8

FCHR Case No. 26-91860H

DOAH Case No. 06-3271

FCHR Order No. 07-017

**FINAL ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR
RELIEF FROM A DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE**

Preliminary Matters

Petitioner Carmajene Wise filed a housing discrimination complaint pursuant to the Fair Housing Act, Sections 760.20 - 760.37, Florida Statutes (2005), alleging that Respondents Progressive Management Inc., and Dan D'Onofrio, committed discriminatory housing practices on the bases of Petitioner's sex (female) and handicap/disability (indicated in the Complaint to be "physical") by providing discriminatory terms, conditions, privileges or services relating to Petitioner's apartment lease.

The allegations set forth in the complaint were investigated, and, on August 10, 2006, the Executive Director issued a determination finding that there was no reasonable cause to believe that a discriminatory housing practice had occurred.

Petitioners filed a Petition for Relief from a Discriminatory Housing Practice and the case was transmitted to the Division of Administrative Hearings for the conduct of a formal proceeding.

An evidentiary hearing was held in Milton, Florida, on November 1, 2006, before Administrative Law Judge Diane Cleavinger.

Judge Cleavinger issued a Recommended Order of dismissal, dated January 2, 2007.

The Commission panel designated below considered the record of this matter and determined the action to be taken on the Recommended Order.

Findings of Fact

A transcript of the proceeding before the Administrative Law Judge was not filed with the Commission. In the absence of a transcript of the proceeding before the

Administrative Law Judge, the Recommended Order is the only evidence for the Commission to consider. See National Industries, Inc. v. Commission on Human Relations, et al., 527 So. 2d 894, at 897, 898 (Fla. 5th DCA 1988). Accord, Beach-Gutierrez v. Bay Medical Center, FCHR Order No. 05-011 (January 19, 2005), and Waaser v. Streit's Motorsports, FCHR Order No. 04-157 (November 30, 2004). See, also, Villamizar, et al. v. Gomez, FCHR Order No. 06-093 (November 13, 2006).

We adopt the Administrative Law Judge's findings of fact.

Conclusions of Law

We find the Administrative Law Judge's application of the law to the facts to result in a correct disposition of the matter.

We adopt the Administrative Law Judge's conclusions of law.

Exceptions

None of the parties filed exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order.

Dismissal

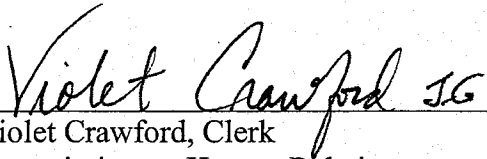
The Petition for Relief and Housing Discrimination Complaint are DISMISSED with prejudice.

The parties have the right to seek judicial review of this Order. The Commission and the appropriate District Court of Appeal must receive notice of appeal within 30 days of the date this Order is filed with the Clerk of the Commission. Explanation of the right to appeal is found in Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, and in the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.110.

DONE AND ORDERED this 14 day of March, 2007.
FOR THE FLORIDA COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS:

Commissioner Gilbert M. Singer, Panel Chairperson;
Commissioner Gayle Cannon; and
Commissioner Billy Whitefox Stall

Filed this 14 day of March, 2007,
in Tallahassee, Florida.


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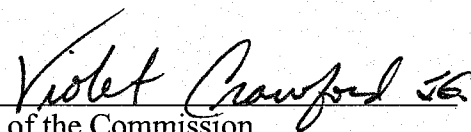
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been mailed to the above listed addressees this 14 day of March, 2007.

By: 
Clerk of the Commission
Florida Commission on Human Relations