



STATE OF FLORIDA
AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Kristi Taylor,

Petitioner,

DOAH Case No.: 16-0067EXE

Vs.

AGENCY FOR PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES,

Rendition No. APD-15-16-038-FO

Respondent.
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FINAL ORDER

This cause comes before the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (the Agency) for consideration and final agency action concerning Petitioner's request for an exemption from disqualification from holding a position of special trust as provided in Chapter 435, Florida Statutes. Petitioner seeks an exemption from disqualification so that Petitioner can work in a position having direct contact with children or developmentally disabled people served in programs regulated by the Department of Children and Families or the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. Following an administrative hearing at the Division of Administrative Hearings on February 19, 2016, the Administrative Law Judge issued a Recommended Order concluding the Petitioner did not demonstrate sufficient rehabilitation such that she should be considered for exemption. Petitioner filed written exceptions, however the exceptions failed to identify the portion of the recommended order being challenged or the legal basis for the exception.

Section 120.57(1)(k), Fla. Stat., states in part:

The agency shall allow each party 15 days in which to submit written exceptions to the recommended order. The final order shall include an explicit ruling on each exception, but an agency need not rule on an exception that does not clearly identify the disputed portion of the recommended order by page number or paragraph, that does not identify the legal basis for the exception, or that does not include appropriate and specific citations to the record.

The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted.

Based on the foregoing and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is hereby ORDERED that the request for exemption from disqualification is hereby DENIED.

DONE AND ORDERED this 27th day of April, 2016, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.



Tom Rankin, Deputy Director of Operations
Agency for Persons with Disabilities

RIGHT TO APPEAL

A party who is adversely affected by this final order is entitled to judicial review. To initiate judicial review, the party seeking it must file one copy of a "Notice of Appeal" with the Agency Clerk. The party seeking judicial review must also file another copy of the "Notice of Appeal," accompanied by the filing fee required by law, with the First District Court of Appeal in Tallahassee, Florida, or with the District Court of Appeal in the district where the party resides. Review proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The Notices must be filed within thirty (30) days of the rendition of this final order.¹

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¹ The date of the "rendition" of this Order is the date that is stamped on its first page. The Notices of Appeal must be received on or before the thirtieth day after that date.