STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



Christopher Graham, Petitioner,

DOAH Case No.: 16-0662EXE

VS.

AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, Respondent.

FINAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This cause comes before the Agency for Persons with Disabilities for entry of a Final Order of Dismissal following the receipt of an Order Closing File and Relinquishing Jurisdiction, a copy of which is attached to this Final Order.

Petitioner had requested a hearing as a result of an Agency decision notice. The request was forwarded to the Division of Administrative Hearings for assignment of an Administrative Law Judge to conduct the hearing. After a hearing, Petitioner filed a Notice of Withdrawal of his Request for an Exemption for Disqualification of Employment, which resulted in the issuance of the Order Closing File and Relinquishing Jurisdiction.

Therefore, based on the foregoing, the petition requesting an administrative hearing is **DENIED.** The Agency action denying Petitioner's request for an exemption from disqualification is effective and final according to its terms.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this day of June

2017.

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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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this Final Order was provided to the above-named individuals at the listed addresses, by U.S. Mail or electronic mail, this (3) day of June, 2017.

Brittany Dambly, Esq., Agency Clerk Agency for Persons with Disabilities 4030 Esplanade Way, Suite 335 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0950

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

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

CHRISTOPHER GRAHAM,

Petitioner,

VS.

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AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES,

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ORDER CLOSING FILE AND RELINQUISHING JURISDICTION

On April 18, 2016, an administrative hearing in this case was held by video teleconference in Fort Myers and Tallahassee, Florida, before William F. Quattlebaum, Administrative Law Judge, Division of Administrative Hearings. Both parties were represented by legal counsel. The issue presented for hearing was whether the Petitioner's request for an exemption from employment disqualification should be granted, pursuant to section 435.07, Florida Statutes (2015).

At the hearing, both parties presented testimony and evidence. A Transcript of the hearing was filed on April 29, 2016. On May 6, 2016, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (Respondent) filed a Proposed Recommended Order. On May 9, 2016, the Petitioner filed a Notice of Withdrawal of his Request for an Exemption for Disqualification of Employment. Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby,

ORDERED that:

Jurisdiction is relinquished to the Respondent for entry of an appropriate Final Order. The file of the Division of Administrative Hearings is CLOSED.

DONE AND ORDERED this 10th day of May, 2016, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

William F. Qvattlebown

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