

STATE OF FLORIDA
AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

AMELIA HOLLIS,
Petitioner,

v.

DOAH Case #: 17-3264EXE

AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES,
Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

This cause is before the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (“Agency”) for entry of a Final Order concerning Petitioner’s application for exemption from disqualification from holding a position of special trust as provided in Section 435.07, Florida Statutes. Petitioner seeks an exemption from disqualification so that Petitioner can work in a position that has direct contact with developmentally disabled children or people served in programs regulated by the Department of Children and Families or the Agency for Persons with Disabilities.

Following an administrative hearing conducted by video teleconference before a designated Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) of the Division of Administrative Hearings (“DOAH”) on August 15, 2017, the ALJ issued a Recommended Order concluding that the Petitioner did not demonstrate sufficient rehabilitation to warrant being considered for an exemption. Neither party filed exceptions to the Recommended Order.

There being no basis to reject the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the ALJ, the Recommended Order is approved and adopted. Accordingly, Petitioner’s

request for an exemption from disqualification from holding a position of special trust is hereby DENIED.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this 21st day of November, 2017.

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

NOTICE OF 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. The Notices must be filed within thirty (30) days of the rendition of this final order.¹


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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this Final Order was provided by regular US or electronic mail to the above individuals at the addresses listed on November 27, 2017.



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¹ The date of "rendition" of this Final Order is the date that is stamped on its first page. The Notices of Appeal must be received on or before the 30th day after that date.