STATE OF FLORIDA COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

DENISE JAMES,	EEOC Case No. 15D201800217
Petitioner,	FCHR Case No. 2018-03315
v.	DOAH Case No. 18-4090
MILOS,	FCHR Order No. 19-003
Respondent.	,
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FINAL ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR RELIEF FROM AN UNLAWFUL EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE

Preliminary Matters

On December 8, 2017, Petitioner Denise James filed a complaint of discrimination pursuant to the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992, Sections 760.01 - 760.11, Florida Statutes (2017), alleging that Respondent Milos committed an unlawful employment practice against Petitioner on the basis of race, by terminating her employment.

The allegations set forth in the complaint were investigated, and, on June 28, 2018, the Executive Director issued a determination finding that there was no reasonable cause to believe that an unlawful employment practice had occurred.

On August 1, 2018, Petitioner filed a Petition for Relief from an Unlawful Employment Practice, and the case was transmitted to the Division of Administrative Hearings for the conduct of a formal proceeding.

An evidentiary hearing was held via video teleconference in Tallahassee, Florida, on August 29, 2018, before Administrative Law Judge Robert L. Kilbride.

Judge Kilbride issued a Recommended Order of dismissal, dated October 23, 2018.

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

We find the Administrative Law Judge's findings of fact to be supported by competent substantial evidence.

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

Neither party filed exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order.

Dismissal

The Petition for Relief and Complaint of Discrimination 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 17 day of January, 2019. FOR THE FLORIDA COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS:

Commissioner Latanya Peterson, Panel Chairperson; Commissioner Jay Pichard; and Commissioner Gilbert M. Singer

Filed this 17 day of January, 2019, in Tallahassee, Florida.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been mailed to the above listed addressees this _______, 2019.

By: Clerk of the Commission

Florida Commission on Human Relations