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AUDREY COWANS  
Tenant/Petitioner,

v.

W.H.H. TRICE & CO.  
Housing Provider/Respondent.

Case No.: RH-TP-08-29258  
*In re:* 930 M Street, N.W., Unit 523

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**FINAL ORDER**

Tenant/Petitioner Audrey Cowans filed a pleading with this administrative court and wrote, "I would like to withdraw my petition." The court will construe the pleading as a Motion for Voluntary Dismissal. The voluntary dismissal of an action pending before this administrative court is authorized by 1 DCMR 2817, which provides in pertinent part:

A petitioner may file a summary motion for voluntary dismissal of any action, or any claim asserted in an action, at anytime . . . and the presiding Administrative Law Judge may grant a summary motion for voluntary dismissal without awaiting a response from the respondent.

. . .

Unless otherwise provided by statute, these Rules or an order of this administrative court, a dismissal under this Rule is without prejudice unless otherwise stipulated by the parties . . . .

1 DCMR 2817.1, 2817.4.

In accordance with 1 DCMR 2817, the court will grant the motion to dismiss.

Therefore, it is this 13th day of March, 2009:

**ORDERED**, that Tenant/Petitioner's Motion for Voluntary Dismissal is **GRANTED**;

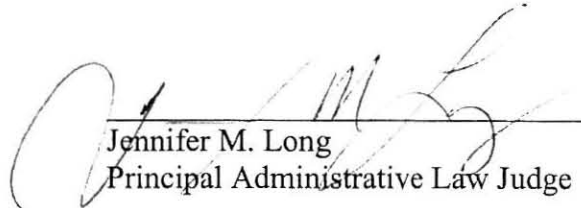
and it is further

**ORDERED**, that RH-TP-08-29258 is hereby **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**;

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**ORDERED**, that if Housing Provider/Respondent objects to any aspect of this Order granting Tenant/Petitioner's Motion for Voluntary Dismissal, it may file a motion for reconsideration in accordance with 1 DCMR 2817.2; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that the appeal rights of any party aggrieved by this Order are set forth below.

  
Jennifer M. Long  
Principal Administrative Law Judge

### **APPEAL RIGHTS**

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code §§ 2-1831.16(b) and 42-3502.16(h), any party aggrieved by a Final Order issued by the Office of Administrative Hearings may appeal the Final Order to the District of Columbia Rental Housing Commission within ten (10) business days after service of the final order, in accordance with the Commission's rule, 14 DCMR 3802. If the Final Order is served on the parties by mail, an additional three (3) days shall be allowed, in accordance with 14 DCMR 3802.2.

Additional important information about appeals to the Rental Housing Commission may be found in the Commission's rules, 14 DCMR 3800 et seq., or you may contact the Commission at the following address:

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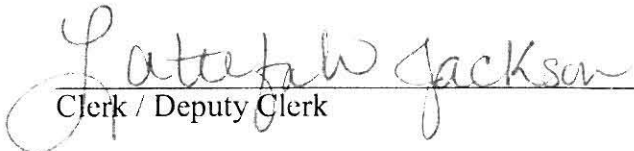
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Clerk / Deputy Clerk