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SOMBO PUJEH,  
Tenant/Petitioner,

v.

AMDE MULUGETA,  
Housing Provider/Respondent.

Case No.: RH-TP-08-29453  
*In re:* 1726 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW, Basement

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**FINAL ORDER**

On October 7, 2008, Tenant Sombo Pujeh filed Tenant Petition (TP) 29,453 with the Rent Administrator complaining of violations of the Rental Housing Act of 1985 (the "Rental Housing Act" or the "Act") at the Housing Accommodation, 1726 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW, Basement. The tenant petition alleged that Housing Provider Amde Mulugeta took retaliatory action against Tenant in violation of Section 502 of the Act and served a notice to vacate in violation of Section 501 of the Act.

The parties and counsel for Housing Provider appeared for a hearing on January 12, 2009. The parties then agreed to mediate the dispute before another Administrative Law Judge. Following the mediation the parties submitted an agreement signed on behalf of both parties setting forth conditions of settlement and agreeing to dismiss this case with prejudice.

The District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act provides that “any contested case may be disposed of by . . . agreed settlement.” D.C. Official Code § 2-509(a). OAH Rule 2817.3, 1 DCMR 2817.3, provides that:


The parties, or their authorized agents also may file a stipulation of voluntary dismissal with prejudice, signed by all parties, their authorized agents or representatives, who have appeared in the action to dismiss the action.

The parties have submitted such a stipulation. Therefore this case will be dismissed with prejudice.

Accordingly, it is this 12<sup>th</sup> day of **January, 2009**,

**ORDERED**, that Case No. RH-TP-08-29453 is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**; and it is further

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

  
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Nicholas H. Cobbs  
Administrative Law Judge

## **MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Any party served with a final order may file a motion for reconsideration within ten (10) days of service of the final order in accordance with 1 DCMR 2937. When the final order is served by mail, five (5) days are added to the 10 day period in accordance with 1 DCMR 2811.5.

A motion for reconsideration shall be granted only if there has been an intervening change in the law; if new evidence has been discovered that previously was not reasonably available to the party seeking reconsideration; if there is a clear error of law in the final order; if the final order contains typographical, numerical, or technical errors; or if a party shows that there was a good reason for not attending the hearing.

The Administrative Law Judge has thirty (30) days to decide a motion for reconsideration. If a timely motion for reconsideration of a final order is filed, the time to appeal shall not begin to run until the motion for reconsideration is decided or denied by operation of law. If the Judge has not ruled on the motion for reconsideration and 30 days have passed, the motion is automatically denied and the 10 day period for filing an appeal to the Rental Housing Commission begins to run.

## **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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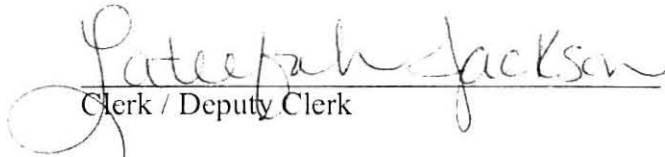
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