BEFORE THE MERIT SYSTEM PROTECTION BOARD FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

IN THE MATTER OF	*	
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APPELLANT,	*	
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AND	*	CASE NO. 18-01
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY	*	
GOVERNMENT,	*	
,	*	
EMPLOYER	*	

ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

On July 31, 2017, Appellant filed this appeal with the Merit System Protection Board (MSPB or Board) challenging a thirty (30) day suspension. On August 15, 2017, the parties filed a fully executed settlement agreement with the Board. Pursuant to Montgomery County Personnel Regulations (MCPR), § 35-15(b), the MSPB retains jurisdiction to interpret and enforce the terms of the settlement agreement.

As this case involves a disciplinary action, the Board finds that it has jurisdiction to accept the settlement agreement into the record. MCPR § 35-15; MSPB Case No. 17-12 (2017); MSPB Case No. 16-10 (2016); MSPB Case No. 15-24 (2015). *Cf., Pleshaw v. OPM*, 98 M.S.P.R. 478, 480 (2005). The Board has reviewed the settlement agreement carefully and notes that the settlement agreement is lawful on its face, and freely entered into by the parties. *Id.*; *McGann v. Department of Housing and Urban Development*, 56 M.S.P.R. 17, 18 (1992). Therefore, the Board agrees to accept the settlement agreement into the record.

Accordingly, the Board hereby **ORDERS**:

- 1. That the settlement agreement filed by the parties in this matter be entered into the Board's records as a settled case;
- 2. That the appeal in this Case No. 18-01 be and is hereby **DISMISSED** as settled;

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- 3. That within 45 calendar days of this Order the County provide the Board with written certification, copied to Appellant, that it has fully implemented the terms of the settlement agreement;
- 4. That the Board will retain jurisdiction over any disputes that arise concerning the interpretation or enforcement of the settlement agreement.

For the Board August 23, 2017

Charlotte Crutchfield
Chair