GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY



IN RE: A Williams,

Respondent

CASE No.: 1019-011

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

THIS MATTER COMES BEFORE THE BOARD on the request of the Director of Government Ethics that the formal investigation initiated against the Respondent herein be dismissed; and

IT APPEARING that, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.13(a)(3), a formal investigation was initiated against the Respondent based upon a June 20, 2016 deferred sentencing agreement in which the Respondent entered a guilty plea to soliciting prostitution;

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, Respondent was a Department of Employment Services Workforce Development Specialist at the Bertie Backus American Job Center and was assigned to a customer;

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, after assisting the customer, Respondent provided his personal cellular phone number to the customer;

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, the customer called Respondent on his personal cellular phone number within an hour;

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, Respondent offered the customer money to have sex with him during the telephonic conversation;

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IT FURTHER APPEARING that, Respondent was fired as a result of his conduct;

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, Respondent was arrested and agreed to a deferred sentencing agreement that included forty-eight (48) hours of community service;

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, Respondent completed the community service requirement and is scheduled for a Deferred Sentencing Review on December 9, 2016; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that, after investigation, the Director has recommended that the Board dismiss this formal investigation for the following reasons:

- 1. Respondent is currently unemployed;
- 2. Respondent did not commit any other offenses during his tenure with the District;
- 3. The Office of Government Ethics would be required to expend resources that are better used for other investigations; and
- 4. The Director may reopen this investigation and pursue action against Respondent within the applicable limitations period, if he determines that there is reason to do so.

ORDERED that the formal investigation initiated against Respondent be, and hereby is, DISMISSED without prejudice; and it is further

ORDERED that this case be CLOSED.

This Order is effective as demonstrated by the signature of the Chairman below.

ROBERT J. SPAGNOLET

Chair, Board of Ethick and Government Accountability

12/8/16 Date