

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



IN RE: W [REDACTED] Graves

Respondent

CASE No. 1535-001

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

THIS MATTER COMES BEFORE THE BOARD on the request of the Director of Government Ethics that the formal investigation initiated against 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 Respondent based on a finding by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, on or about July 18, 2016, upon Respondent's guilty plea to subscribing a false tax return; and


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

1. Part of Respondent's sentence and judgment requires him to pay \$220,987.00, which amount represents his underpayment of federal taxes;
2. The Office of Government Ethics would be required to expend resources that are better used for other investigations; and

3. 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.

This Order is effective upon approval by the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability, as demonstrated by the signature of the Chairman below.



ROBERT J. SPAGNOLETTI
Chair, Board of Ethics and Government Accountability

12/8/16
Date