



Issue Date: 07 July 2011

CASE NO.: 2011-SOX-00037

IN THE MATTER OF

KIM MARIE TORRES
Complainant

v.

WALGREEN COMPANY
Respondent

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The present case was brought by Complainant under the employee protection provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the Act), 18 U.S.C. Section 1514 and its implementing regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 1980. By letter dated June 14, 2011, Complainant requested to withdraw her complaint as she did not wish to pursue her claim against Respondent.

Under section 1980.111(c) of title 29. C.F.R.:

(c) At any time before the findings or order become final, a party may withdraw his or her objections to the findings or order by filing a written withdrawal with the administrative law judge or, if the case is on review, with the [Administrative Review] Board. The judge or the Board, as the case may be, will determine whether the withdrawal will be approved, if the objections are withdrawn because of settlement, the settlement will be approved in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section.

As the Secretary's Findings are not final and a written withdrawal has been filed, approval of the withdrawal is appropriate. Although Complainant has indicated a desire to withdraw her claim, she is actually withdrawing her hearing request. Accordingly, good cause having been shown, Complainant's request for withdrawal will be granted and this case will be dismissed.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that Complainant's letter to withdraw be, and hereby is, **GRANTED**, and this case be, and hereby is, **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the hearing in this matter which was scheduled to be heard on **August 22, 2011**, at 9:00 a.m., in **Dallas, Texas**, is hereby **CANCELLED**.

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CLEMENT J. KENNINGTON
Administrative Law Judge

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS: To appeal, you must file a Petition for Review ("Petition") with the Administrative Review Board ("Board") within ten (10) business days of the date of the administrative law judge's decision. *See* 29 C.F.R. § 1980.110(a). The Board's address is: Administrative Review Board, U.S. Department of Labor, Suite S-5220, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. In addition to filing your Petition for Review with the Board at the foregoing address, an electronic copy of the Petition may be filed by e-mail with the Board, to the attention of the Clerk of the Board, at the following e-mail address: ARB-Correspondence@dol.gov.

Your Petition is considered filed on the date of its postmark, facsimile transmittal, or e-mail communication; but if you file it in person, by hand-delivery or other means, it is filed when the Board receives it. *See* 29 C.F.R. § 1980.110(c). Your Petition must specifically identify the findings, conclusions or orders to which you object. Generally, you waive any objections you do not raise specifically. *See* 29 C.F.R. § 1980.110(a).

At the time you file the Petition with the Board, you must serve it on all parties as well as the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Administrative Law Judges, 800 K Street, NW, Suite 400-North, Washington, DC 20001-8002. The Petition must also be served on the Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health Administration and the Associate Solicitor, Division of Fair Labor Standards, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210.

You must file an original and four copies of the petition for review with the Board, together with one copy of this decision. In addition, within 30 calendar days of filing the petition for review you must file with the Board: (1) an original and four copies of a supporting legal brief of points and authorities, not to exceed thirty double-spaced typed pages, and (2) an appendix (one copy

only) consisting of relevant excerpts of the record of the proceedings from which the appeal is taken, upon which you rely in support of your petition for review.

Any response in opposition to a petition for review must be filed with the Board within 30 calendar days from the date of filing of the petitioning party's supporting legal brief of points and authorities. The response in opposition to the petition for review must include: (1) an original and four copies of the responding party's legal brief of points and authorities in opposition to the petition, not to exceed thirty double-spaced typed pages, and (2) an appendix (one copy only) consisting of relevant excerpts of the record of the proceedings from which appeal has been taken, upon which the responding party relies, unless the responding party expressly stipulates in writing to the adequacy of the appendix submitted by the petitioning party.

Upon receipt of a legal brief filed in opposition to a petition for review, the petitioning party may file a reply brief (original and four copies), not to exceed ten double-spaced typed pages, within such time period as may be ordered by the Board.

If no Petition is timely filed, the administrative law judge's decision becomes the final order of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to 29 C.F.R. § 1980.109(c). Even if you do file a Petition, the administrative law judge's decision becomes the final order of the Secretary of Labor unless the Board issues an order within thirty (30) days after the Petition is filed notifying the parties that it has accepted the case for review. *See* 29 C.F.R. §§ 1980.109(c) and 1980.110(a) and (b).