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**Issue Date: 18 February 2014**

CASE NOs.: 2014-SOX-00009, 00010, 00011

*In the Matter of:*

CHARLES HILL,  
Complainant,

vs.

INITIATIVE LEGAL GROUP,  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES,  
LOS ANGELES FIRE AND POLICE PENSION,  
DAIMLER AG, and  
MERCEDES-BENZ USA, LLC,  
Respondents.

**ORDER DISMISSING CASE**

This matter arises under Section 806 of the Corporate and Criminal Fraud Accountability Act of 2002 (the “Sarbanes-Oxley Act” or “SOX”) and the regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 1980. On December 13, 2013, the Secretary of Labor, by and through his agent, the Regional Administrator for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, found there was no reasonable cause to believe that Respondents had violated SOX. Complainant Charles Hill, who is an attorney and representing himself, timely filed an appeal of the denial. The matter is currently set for hearing on May 28 and 29, 2014, in Long Beach, California.

On February 5, 2014, Complainant submitted a Motion to Withdraw the Appeal of the Secretary’s Findings. Mr. Hill opined that he no longer wished to proceed because of the “time, energy, and expense” it would take to fully prepare the case for administrative hearing. Mr. Hill also stated that he understood that by voluntarily withdrawing the matter, the decision of the Secretary of Labor denying his claim would become final and the matter would be dismissed with prejudice.

Pursuant to 29 C. F.R. § 1980.111(c), at any time before the findings or order becomes final, a party may withdraw his objections by filing a written withdrawal with the administrative law judge. The judge will determine whether to approve the withdrawal. *Id.*

Having read and considered the request from Complainant, I find there is good cause to grant Complainant's withdrawal of this matter, and there is no objection. Accordingly, all dates are vacated. The matter is hereby withdrawn and dismissed with prejudice.

SO ORDERED.

RICHARD M. CLARK  
Administrative Law Judge