

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

In the Matter of:

DENISE NEWTON,

Petitioner.

Docket No. 25-AF-0455-AG-331  
(Claim No. 721030976)

September 26, 2025

**ORDER OF DISMISSAL**

On July 10, 2025, this Court received Petitioner's request for a hearing concerning a proposed repayment schedule incident to a wage garnishment order sought by the Secretary relating to a debt owed to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD").

On July 28, 2025, HUD filed the *Secretary's Motion to Dismiss* stating that HUD's Financial Operations Center has confirmed that Petitioner is self-employed as a Real Estate Agent and is not eligible for wage garnishment at this time. As a result, HUD seeks to dismiss this matter, without prejudice and reserves the right to seek collection of the subject debt via alternative means, i.e., Administrative Offset, and may resume Administrative Wage Garnishment activities in the future should Petitioner resume employment.

For good cause, the *Secretary's Motion to Dismiss* will be **GRANTED**, and this matter is **DISMISSED**, without prejudice.

**SO ORDERED,**



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