## STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

Reg. No: 2010-23741

Issue No: 2006

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date: September 1, 2010 Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jonathan W. Owens

## HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a hearing was held on September 1, 2010. The Claimant's representative appeared and testified.

## ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Under Program Administrative Manual Item 600, clients have the right to contest any Department decision affecting eligibility or benefit levels whenever they believe the decision is illegal. The Department provides an Administrative Hearing to review the decision and determine if it is appropriate. Department policy includes procedures to meet the minimal requirements for a fair hearing. Efforts to clarify and resolve the client's concerns start when the Department receives a hearing request and continues through the day of the hearing.

In the present case, on June 16, 2009, the Claimant requested a hearing, protesting the denial of an MA application for failure to return verifications regarding citizenship. During the hearing, the Claimant's representative presented L-Letter 10-027, which provides direction regarding a policy change regarding citizenship and its direct application to older case actions. Specifically:

"any administrative hearings that are pending due to lack of documentation for citizenship or ID should also be reviewed to determine if the client claimed to be a U.S. citizen. If so, the case should have the new policy applied to it"

The Department agreed to reprocess the application in accordance with the L-Letter 10-027. The Claimant agreed to this action being taken.

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## **DECISION AND ORDER**

Since the parties have reached an agreement, no issue remains for this ALJ to determine.

Therefore, Claimant's hearing request is hereby DISMISSED.

Jonathan W. Owens
Administrative Law Judge
for Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: 09/02/10

Date Mailed: 09/02/10

**NOTICE**: Administrative Hearings may order a rehearing or reconsideration on either its own motion or at the request of a party within 30 days of the mailing date of this Decision and Order. Administrative Hearings will not order a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's motion where the final decision cannot be implemented within 90 days of the filing of the original request.

The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the mailing of the Decision and Order or, if a timely request for rehearing was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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