



**Office of Appeals
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Washington, D.C. 20410-0001**

In the Matter of:

SHERRY M. WATKINS,

Petitioner

HUDOA No. 10-M-CH-AWG88
Claim No. 78-0192644-OB

RULING AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL

On June 15, 2010, the Secretary filed a motion to dismiss this action against Petitioner. The Secretary states that the debt in this case pertains to the same debt in another case already pending before this court. Specifically, the Secretary states that the previously-filed case is "10-H-CH-AWG86 and the claim number identifying the debt the Secretary is seeking to collect is "78-0192644-OB." Secretary's Motion to Dismiss, ¶¶1, 2. Based on a letter from Petitioner, dated May 26, 2010, that Petitioner forwarded to the court, rather than to the HUD Financial Operations Center in Albany, N.Y., this Office "issued a second Notice of Docketing, Order, and Stay of Referral (Order) . . . [under case number 10-M-CH-AWG88.]" Secretary's Motion to Dismiss, ¶2. Since both cases clearly pertain to the same debt, and without objection, the Secretary's Motion to Dismiss is GRANTED. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this case is DISMISSED, without prejudice to the Secretary's ability to seek collection of the debt identified as HUD claim no. 78-0192644-OB and docketed as HUD Office of Appeals Case No. 10-H-CH-AWG86.

June 15, 2010

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Alexander Manuel", is written over a horizontal line.

H. Alexander Manuel
Administrative Judge