

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

In the Matter of:

**Thomas Lewis,**

Petitioner

Docket No. 23-VH-0050-AG-030

Claim No. 721018192

March 31, 2023


**ORDER GRANTING DISMISSAL**

NOW COMES BEFORE THE COURT on March 30, 2023 the Secretary's *Motion to Dismiss* seeking to dismiss the above-captioned matter because, "The Secretary has determined that the debt collection is not legally enforceable against Petitioner at this time because the Petitioner filed a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition before the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona, on March 13, 2023, as Case No. 23-01544. The Petitioner's bankruptcy matter is currently active and pending." Upon due consideration, and for good cause shown, the *Motion to Dismiss* is hereby **GRANTED**.

Pending the outcome of the Chapter 7 bankruptcy proceeding, the Secretary shall not seek to collect the claimed debt of Petitioner by means of administrative wage garnishment. The stay of referral shall remain in effect until such time as the status of the Chapter 7 bankruptcy proceeding is determined.

The matter of HUDOHA #23-VH-0050-AG-030 is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**.

SO ORDERED.



Vanessa L. Hall  
Administrative Judge