

BEFORE THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT  
OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN RE: OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS CASE NO. 1550-2022:

JEAN-PAUL LAUREN,	)	HRB Case No. 0210569
	)	
Charging Party,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	<b>ORDER DISMISSING</b>
	)	<b>NUNC PRO TUNC<sup>1</sup></b>
STONERIDGE APARTMENTS, L.P.,	)	
HIGHLAND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT,	)	
INC., and LEILANI NAKAMURA,	)	
	)	
Respondents.	)	

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TO: Jean -Paul Lauren, Charging Party, and his attorney, Scott Peterson; and Stoneridge Apartments LP, Highland Property Management Inc., Leilani Nakamura, Respondents, and their attorney, Trevor Carlson:

On August 20, 2021, Charging Party herein filed a Complaint under the Montana Human Rights Act alleging that the Respondents illegally discriminated against him in the area of housing on the basis of disability. The case was certified to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for a contested case hearing, and OAH issued a Notice of Certification for Hearing on May 6, 2022.

On May 31, 2022, Charging Party, through his attorney, timely filed an election to have the claims in his complaint decided in a civil action in lieu of administrative proceedings under the Montana Human Rights Act. The Department may not continue administrative proceedings after the filing of a proper housing election pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 49-2-510(4)(b). The Hearing Officer therefore now dismisses the Complaint herein.

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<sup>1</sup> This Nunc Pro Tunc Order is issued to correct inadvertent omissions in the Caption and Certificate of Service. These changes are administrative in nature, and do not change the substantive Order Dismissing in this matter issued on June 1, 2022.

DATED this 2nd day of June, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chad R. Vanisko', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Chad R. Vanisko, Hearing Officer  
Office of Administrative Hearings  
Department of Labor and Industry

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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Signed this 2nd day of June, 2022.



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Legal Secretary, Office of Administrative Hearings  
Montana Department of Labor and Industry