

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.) **ORDER DISMISSING**
)
STONERIDGE APARTMENTS,)
)
Respondent.)

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TO: Jean -Paul Lauren, Charging Party, and his attorney, Scott Peterson; and Stoneridge Apartments, and their attorney, Trevor Carlson:

On August 20, 2021, Charging Party herein filed a Complaint under the Montana Human Rights Act alleging that the Respondent 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.

DATED this 1st day of June, 2022.



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

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The undersigned hereby certifies that true and correct copies of the foregoing document were, this day, served upon the parties or their attorneys of record by depositing them in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows, and also by e-mail to the e-mail addresses below:

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