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PETITIONER,

V.

MONMOUTH COUNTY

DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES

RESPONDENT.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 02784-22.

As Assistant Commissioner for the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the Initial Decision and the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) case file. No exceptions were filed in this matter. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to render a Final Agency Decision November 27, 2022 in accordance with an Order of Extension.

By Initial Decision dated August 29, 2022, the ALJ dismissed the appeal. Petitioner died on April 12, 2022, causing the Designated Authorized Representative (DAR) to expire. There was no evidence that Petitioner's Estate intended to pursue the matter. As such the ALJ concluded there was no longer a contested case.

I agree with the ALJ's dismissal of this case, but would add that this dismissal is with prejudice.

THEREFORE, it is on this 18th day of November 2022,

ORDERED:

That Petitioner's request for a fair hearing is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE; and

That Monmouth County's denial of Petitioner's Medicaid application is UPHELD.

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

ds

OBO JLJ

Jennifer Langer Jacobs, Assistant Commissioner Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services