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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:	)	[AWA-D]
	)	Docket No. 14-0201
Aaron Bloom	)	
	)	
Petitioner	)	Dismissal

## Appearances:

Mr. Aaron Bloom (Petitioner Bloom), who represents himself (appears pro se); and

Ms. Colleen A. Carroll, Esq., with the Office of the General Counsel, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington D.C., for the Respondent (APHIS). <sup>1</sup>

- 1. During the telephone conference that included me on July 30 (Thur) 2015, Mr. Aaron Bloom WITHDREW his request for hearing in this Animal Welfare Act license denial matter.
- 2. Consequently, this case is **dismissed**. APHIS's denial of the application for a USDA Animal Welfare Act license is AFFIRMED. Aaron Bloom is disqualified from being granted a USDA Animal Welfare Act license for a period of one year beginning today, July 30, 2015.
- 3. **Beginning July 31, 2016**, Aaron Bloom may apply for an Animal Welfare Act license.

Copies of this order dismissing case shall be sent by the Hearing Clerk to each of the parties (to Petitioner by certified mail; and to AMS's counsel by in-person delivery to an Office of the General Counsel representative).

<sup>1.</sup> The Respondent is the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture ("APHIS" or "Respondent").

Done at Washington, D.C. this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July 2015

Jill S. Clifton Administrative Law Judge

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