



UNITED STATES
CIVILIAN BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS

May 12, 2010

CBCA 1776-FEMA

In the Matter of ST. BERNARD PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Before the Arbitration Panel consisting of Board Judges **GILMORE**, **POLLACK**, and **DRUMMOND**.

The St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office (the Parish) asked the Board to arbitrate a dispute between it and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) arising out of the Parish's request for a public assistance grant under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 5172 (2006), for reimbursement of costs incurred as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

On May 7, 2010, the Board received a letter from counsel for the Parish, along with a motion and order of dismissal with prejudice, advising the Board that the Parish and FEMA had reached a settlement in the above-captioned proceeding and seeking a dismissal with prejudice of the proceeding.

Accordingly, the arbitration claim before the Board is dismissed.

HOWARD A. POLLACK
Board Judge

BERYL S. GILMORE
Board Judge

JEROME M. DRUMMOND
Board Judge