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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 2275-17 S.A.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C400521 (PASSAIC COUNTY BOARD OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from Respondent Agency's denial of Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits. The Agency denied Petitioner's EA benefits contending that he had the capacity to pay his rent, but failed to do so, and that he is not imminently homeless. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On February 21, 2017, the Honorable Danielle Pasquale, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. On February 21, 2017, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, affirming the Agency's determination.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its denial of EA benefits to Petitioner. Therefore, as the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the Agency to provide Petitioner with EA benefits, and, further, I find that this matter has now been rendered moot, and I therefore DISMISS Petitioner's appeal.

Accordingly, Petitioner's appeal now being deemed moot, the matter is hereby DISMISSED.

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Natasha Johnson
Director