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STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

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DIVISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE
HEARINGS

CAROL GOLD,

Petitioner,

AT

HUD Case No. 04-03-0333

FCHR Case No. 23-90985H

v.

DOAH Case No. 03-2669

WFO-CLOS

LARRY SHEEHAN AND TOM GRIFFIS,

FCHR Order No. 04-048

Respondent.

**FINAL ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR
RELIEF FROM A DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE**

Preliminary Matters

Petitioner Carol Gold filed a housing discrimination complaint pursuant to the Fair Housing Act, Sections 760.20 - 760.37, Florida Statutes (2001), alleging that Respondents Larry Sheehan and Tom Griffis committed a discriminatory housing practice on the basis of marital status with regard to Petitioner's attempt to sell her condominium.

The allegations set forth in the complaint were investigated, and, on June 11, 2003, the Executive Director issued a determination finding that there was no reasonable cause to believe that a discriminatory housing practice had occurred.

Petitioner filed a Petition for Relief from a Discriminatory Housing Practice and the case was transmitted to the Division of Administrative Hearings for the conduct of a formal proceeding.

An evidentiary hearing was held in Sarasota, Florida, on October 22, 2003, before Administrative Law Judge William F. Quattlebaum.

Judge Quattlebaum issued a Recommended Order of dismissal, dated November 7, 2003.

The Commission panel designated below considered the record of this matter and determined the action to be taken on the Recommended Order.

Findings of Fact

A transcript of the proceeding before the Administrative Law Judge was not filed with the Commission.

We adopt the Administrative Law Judge's findings of fact.

Conclusions of Law

We find the Administrative Law Judge's application of the law to the facts to result in a correct disposition of the matter.

We adopt the Administrative Law Judge's conclusions of law.

Exceptions

Neither party filed exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order.

Dismissal

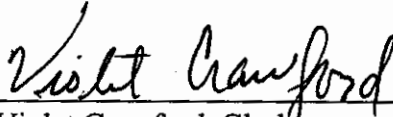
The Petition for Relief and Housing Discrimination Complaint are DISMISSED with prejudice.

The parties have the right to seek judicial review of this Order. The Commission and the appropriate District Court of Appeal must receive notice of appeal within 30 days of the date this Order is filed with the Clerk of the Commission. Explanation of the right to appeal is found in Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, and in the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.110.

DONE AND ORDERED this 2nd day of June, 2004.
FOR THE FLORIDA COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS:

Commissioner Roosevelt Paige, Panel Chairperson;
Commissioner Dominique B. Saliba; and
Commissioner Billy Whitefox Stall

Filed this 2nd day of June, 2004,
in Tallahassee, Florida.



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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been mailed to the above listed addressees this 2nd day of June, 2004.

By: *Violet Crawford*
Clerk of the Commission
Florida Commission on Human Relations