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Case No: 2006SOX00124

In the Matter of:

ELIANNA PARENTI, Complainant,

v.

SEARS ROEBUCK AND CO., Respondent.

FINAL ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSING COMPLAINT

This matter arose out of a discrimination complaint filed under the whistleblower protection provision of Section 806 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (hereinafter "the Act" or "SOX"). 18 U.S.C. § 1514A (2000). In this case, on August 23, 2007, the parties filed a Joint Stipulation for Dismissal requesting approval of their settlement, which the parties were able to reach after entering into voluntary settlement negotiations. After reviewing the agreement, and being otherwise fully advised of the premises of the Joint Stipulation, the Presiding Judge finds that the settlement is fair, adequate, and reasonable.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. § 1980.111(c), Complainant's objections to the OHSA determination are withdrawn and this case **is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**, each party to bear its own costs, expenses, and attorney's fees.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties' request to file the settlement agreement and attached exhibits under seal pursuant to 29 C.F.R. § 70.26 is hereby **GRANTED**.

SO ORDERED.

A Daniel A. Sarno, Jr. Administrative Law Judge

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