

ANGELA WAKHWEYA,

Appellant

v.

PRINCE GEORGE'S  
COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION,

Appellee.

ORDER OF THE  
STATE BOARD  
OF EDUCATION

Order No. OR 18-04

ORDER

On April 18, 2018, Appellant filed an appeal with the State Board challenging the decision of the Prince George's County Board of Education ("local board") to terminate her from her employment as Chief of the Office of School Health Policy for inability to satisfactorily perform her job. The local board filed a Motion to Dismiss maintaining that the Appellant failed to provide a statement of facts and statement of relief sought as required by COMAR 13A.01.05.02. Thereafter, the Appellant submitted an Amended Appeal and requested that the State Board grant the Appellant leave to amend the appeal. The local board opposes the Appellant's request.

COMAR 13A.01.05.04(A)(2) states that "[a] party may amend an appeal or other pleading upon leave of the State Board or by written consent of the other party." Thus, whether or not to allow an individual to amend an appeal is a matter within the State Board's discretion. In this case, because the appeal was initially timely filed, and because we believe that amending the appeal will be helpful to resolving the case, it is this 24th day of July, 2018 by the Maryland State Board of Education,

ORDERED, that Appellant's request for leave to amend the appeal is granted. The local board's response to the Amended Appeal is due to be filed with the State Board on or before Monday, August 13, 2018.

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Justin M. Hartings  
President