

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
Docket No. 12-0227

In re: JASON MOTA,
Petitioner

Decision and Order

This matter is before the Office of Administrative Law Judges (“OALJ”) upon the request of Jason Mota (“Petitioner”) for a hearing to address the existence or amount of a debt alleged to be due to the United States Department of Treasury (“Treasury”) through the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (“Respondent”; “USDA-FS”), and, if established, the propriety of imposing administrative wage garnishment.

Petitioner’s request was filed on February 7, 2012. On February 24, 2012, Respondent learned that Petitioner was no longer employed. On March 7, 2012, that information was filed with OALJ.

All procedural requirements for administrative wage garnishment have not been met because Petitioner is not employed. USDA-FS may NOT administratively garnish Petitioner’s wages at this time.

Copies of this Decision and Order shall be served upon the parties by the Hearing Clerk’s Office.

So Ordered this _____ day of March, 2012 in Washington, D.C.

Janice K. Bullard
Administrative Law Judge