



Issue Date: 19 July 2013

CASE NO.: 2013-CFP-1

IN THE MATTER OF

WESLEY A. HARDMAN

Complainant

v.

JPMORGAN CHASE & CO.

Respondent

**DECISION AND ORDER APPROVING NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT AND DISMISSING CLAIM**

Pursuant to Rules of Practice and Procedure for Administrative Hearings Before the Office of Administrative Law Judges, 29 C.F.R. §18.9(c)(1), and upon review of the parties' Negotiated Settlement Agreement, copy which is attached, it is hereby **ORDERED** and **DECREED** that the Negotiated Settlement Agreement is **APPROVED** and that this matter is hereby dismissed with prejudice in its entirety.

ORDERED this 19th day of July, 2013, at Covington, Louisiana.

C. RICHARD AVERY
Administrative Law Judge

NOTICE: Review of this Decision and Order is by the Administrative Review Board pursuant to ¶ 5.c.(48) of Secretary's Order 01-2010, Delegation of Authority and Responsibility to the Administrative Review Board, 75 Fed. Reg. 3924 (Jan. 25, 2010) (effective Jan. 15, 2010). Regulations, however, have not yet been promulgated by the Department of Labor detailing the process for review by the Administrative Review Board of decisions by Administrative Law Judges under the employee protection provision of the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010, Section 1057 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, 12 U.S.C.A. §5567. Accordingly, this Decision and Order and the administrative file in this matter will be forwarded for review by the Administrative Review Board, U.S. Department of Labor, Suite S-5220, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20210. Since procedural regulations have not yet been promulgated, it is suggested that any party wishing to appeal this Decision and Order should also formally submit a Petition for Review with the Administrative Review Board.