

September 8, 2023

**OFFICE OF THE HEARING EXAMINER
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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ORDER OF DISMISSAL

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. **V23014046-A23001734**

SHELLEY AND STEVE RICHFIELD

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.: A23001734

Appellants: **Shelley and Steve Richfield**

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Kenmore, WA 98028

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King County: Regional Animal Services of King County
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At our abbreviated June 6 hearing, Animal Services noted that Ms. Richfield's then-recent efforts to contain Luscious had been successful in keeping Luscious off the complainant's property. The following day we entered an order staying our proceedings and noting that unless we heard from Animal Services within 90 days (i.e., by September 5, 2023) of another alleged incident, we would dismiss the violation without prejudice.

Having received no such notice, we dismiss violation notice V23014046 without prejudice (meaning our dismissal is not a decision on the merits).

If for some reason we have misunderstood the situation, by **October 9, 2023**, either party is free to file, with the examiner, a motion for reconsideration explaining why the examiner should not be dismissing this appeal. Filing a timely motion for reconsideration postpones the deadline (described below the signature line) for lodging an appeal.

DATED September 8, 2023.



David Spohr
Hearing Examiner

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

King County Code 20.22.040 directs the Examiner to make the County's final decision for this type of case. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless appealed to superior court by *October 9, 2023*. Either party may appeal this decision by applying for a writ of review in superior court in accordance with chapter 7.16 RCW.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, Lauren Olson, certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that I transmitted the **ORDER OF DISMISSAL** to those listed on the attached page as follows:

- EMAILED to all County staff listed as parties/interested persons and parties with e-mail addresses on record.
- placed with the United States Postal Service, through Quadient-Impress, with sufficient postage, as FIRST CLASS MAIL in an envelope addressed to the non-County employee parties/interested persons to addresses on record.

DATED September 8, 2023.



Lauren Olson
Legislative Secretary

Eykel, Chelsea

Regional Animal Services of King County

Rantschler, Sara

Hardcopy

Richfield, Shelley/Steve

Hardcopy