ARMED SERVICES BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS

Appear of)	
Courtney Ake)	ASBCA No. 61610
Under Contract No. W81K00-17-P-0718)	
APPEARANCE FOR THE APPELLANT:		Ms. Courtney Ake

APPEARANCES FOR THE GOVERNMENT:

Raymond M. Saunders, Esq. Army Chief Trial Attorney MAJ Ronald M. Herrmann, JA Trial Attorney

OPINION BY ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE MCILMAIL

On July 6, 2018, the government moved to dismiss the appeal for lack of jurisdiction. Appellant never responded. On October 4, 2018, the Board ordered appellant to respond, by October 19, 2018, to the government's motion, warning that failure to do so would result in an order to show cause why the appeal should not be dismissed with prejudice for failure to prosecute the appeal or comply with Board orders under Board Rule 17. We received no response. On October 23, 2018, the Board ordered appellant, by November 6, 2018, to show cause why the appeal should not be dismissed with prejudice for failure to prosecute the appeal or comply with Board orders under Board Rule 17. No response has been filed to date. We find that appellant has deliberately ignored the Board's rules and orders, and gave no consideration to the Board's attempts to efficiently process the appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is dismissed with prejudice for failure to prosecute the appeal or comply with Board orders under Board Rule 17. See Suodor Al-Khair Co-SAKCO for General Trading, ASBCA Nos. 59036, 59037, 16-1 BCA ¶ 36,312 at 177,047; Bulloch International, Inc., ASBCA No. 44210, 93-2 BCA ¶ 25,692 at 127,808 (citing Line v. Wabash R. Co., 370 U.S. 626 (1962), and noting Board's "general authority" to dismiss with prejudice for failure to prosecute). Accordingly, the government's motion to dismiss is moot.

Dated: November 26, 2018

TIMOTHY P. MCILMAIL
Administrative Judge

Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals

(Signatures continued)

I concur

RICHARD SHACKLEFORD

Administrative Judge Acting Chairman Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals I concur

OWEN C. WILSON

Administrative Judge

Vice Chairman

Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Opinion and Decision of the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals in ASBCA No. 61610, Appeal of Courtney Ake, rendered in conformance with the Board's Charter.

Dated:

JEFFREY D. GARDIN Recorder, Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals