

**United States Small Business Administration
Office of Hearings and Appeals**

In the Matter of:

Decision Frameworks, LP,

Appellant

SBA No. WOSB-122

Decided: May 10, 2024

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL¹

On May 8, 2024, Decision Frameworks, LP (Appellant) filed the above-captioned appeal with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA). The appeal purports to challenge the denial of Appellant's application for certification as a Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB). Appellant asks that OHA reconsider Appellant's eligibility for the program. (Appeal at 2.)

Pursuant to SBA regulations, OHA has jurisdiction over appeals from WOSB and Economically-Disadvantaged WOSB (EDWOSB) status protest determinations, but does not otherwise have jurisdiction over disputes pertaining to the WOSB program. 13 C.F.R. §§ 127.605, 134.102(s), and 134.701(a). A decision by SBA's Director of Government Contracting to deny a concern's application for WOSB certification constitutes a final agency decision, and cannot be appealed to OHA. 13 C.F.R. § 127.304(i); *Matter of Woods Peacock Eng'g Consultants, Inc.*, SBA No. WOSB-121 (2024); *Matter of Data Analytics Corp.*, SBA No. WOSB-116 (2022); *Matter of Idaho Heatseeker, LLC*, SBA No. WOSB-115 (2022).

Here, Appellant seeks to challenge the denial of its application for WOSB certification. Appellant is not contesting any formal protest decision rendered by SBA, nor does Appellant reference any WOSB procurement where such a protest might have been filed. Accordingly, OHA has no jurisdiction over this matter. If Appellant wishes to reapply for WOSB certification, it may do so 90 days after it received the denial decision, if Appellant believes that it has overcome all of the reasons for the denial and is currently eligible. 13 C.F.R. §§ 127.303(d), 127.304(i), and 127.305(a).

For the above reasons, the appeal is **DISMISSED** for **LACK OF JURISDICTION**. This is the final decision of the U.S. Small Business Administration. *See* 13 C.F.R. § 134.714.

KENNETH M. HYDE
Administrative Judge

¹ This appeal is decided under the Small Business Act of 1958, 15 U.S.C. § 631 *et seq.*, and 13 C.F.R. parts 127 and 134 subpart G.