UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Glenn A. Greene,			Clerk, U.S. District & Bankrupto Courts for the District of Columi
Plaintiff,)		
v.)) C:	ivil Action No. 11	2248
Washington Field Office; U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission,)))		
Defendant.			

MEMORANDUM OPINION

This matter is before the Court on its initial review of plaintiff's *pro se* complaint and application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The application will be granted and the case will be dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii). Under that statute, the Court is required to dismiss a case "at any time" it determines that the complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

Plaintiff, a District of Columbia resident, has submitted a complaint against the Washington Field Office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") based on its processing of his complaint against his former employer. "[N]o cause of action against the EEOC exists for challenges to its processing of a claim." *Smith v. Casellas*, 119 F.3d 33, 34 (D.C. Cir. 1997), *cert. denied*, 118 S.Ct. 386 (1997). Rather, "Congress intended the private right of action . . . under which an aggrieved employee may bring a Title VII action directly against his or her employer [] to serve as the remedy for any improper handling of a discrimination charge by the EEOC." *Id.* Accordingly, the complaint will be dismissed. A separate Order accompanies this Memorandum Opinion.

Date: December 2, 2011

United States District Judge