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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Aretha Harris,

Plaintiff,

V.

Patrick R. Donahoe, Postmaster General *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

12 0145

MEMORANDUM OPINION

This matter is before the Court on its initial review of plaintiff's *pro se* complaint, which is accompanied by an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The Court will grant the application and will dismiss the case for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3) (requiring dismissal of an action "at any time" the Court determines that it lacks subject matter jurisdiction).

Plaintiff sues the Postmaster General and the Postmaster in Waycross, Georgia, for the alleged mishandling of a certified letter she allegedly sent to Fingerhut Corporation pertaining to a bill. *See* Compl. at 1 & Attachments. The Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction over “[a]ny claim arising out of the loss, miscarriage, or negligent transmission of letters or postal matter.” 28 U.S.C. § 2680(b). A separate Order of dismissal accompanies this Memorandum Opinion.

Date: January 23, 2012

~~United States District Judge~~

J. Bonsheng