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## **United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit**

04-3246

ARISTIDES PLATO,

Petitioner.

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MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD,

Respondent.

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DECIDED: March 11, 2005

Before MAYER, <u>Circuit Judge</u>, PLAGER, <u>Senior Circuit Judge</u>, and GAJARSA, <u>Circuit Judge</u>.

PER CURIAM.

Aristides Plato ("Plato") appeals the decision of the Merit Systems Protection Board dismissing his petition for lack of jurisdiction. <u>Plato v. Merit Sys. Prot. Bd.</u>, DC-0831-02-0672-I-1 (MSPB July 7, 2002). We affirm.

The board issued a show cause order to Plato requesting that he provide proof that the Office of Personnel Management ("OPM") had issued a final decision in his case, a prerequisite to board jurisdiction. <u>See</u> 5 U.S.C. § 8347(d)(1) (2000); 5 C.F.R. §§ 831.109 to .110 (2004). Plato did not respond to this order and failed otherwise to

offer proof that OPM had issued a final decision. <u>See Minor v. Merit Sys. Prot. Bd.</u>, 819 F.2d 280, 282 (Fed. Cir. 1987) (noting that petitioner has the burden of showing jurisdiction). Therefore, the board was correct to dismiss Plato's case for lack of jurisdiction.

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