

STATE OF NEW JERSEY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

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AGENDA OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION JANUARY 23, 2013

Robert M. Czech, Chairperson Robert E. Brenner Thomas J. Perna Richard E. Williams

SECTION A – HEARING MATTERS

A-1 SETTLEMENTS

In the Matter of Katrina Simmons-Alston Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired Department of Human Services Suspension

In the Matter Manuel Balseiro Ancora Psychiatric Hospital Department of Human Services Suspension

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In the Matter of Richard Cotto and Luis Andujar Cumberland County Department of Corrections Suspension

In the Matter of Marian Davis Essex County Commissioner of Registration Suspensions (2)

In the Matter of Antonia Horne Warren County Sheriff's Department Removal

In the Matter of Dyshella Kee Bayside State Prison Department of Corrections Removal

In the Matter of Michael Massop New Jersey Veteran's Memorial Home-Vineland Department of Military and Veteran's Affairs Removal In the Matter of Jerome E. Mitchell Borough of Carteret Police Department Removal

In the Matter of Patrice Myers New Jersey Veteran's Memorial Home-Vineland Department of Military and Veteran's Affairs Suspension

In the Matter of Eloino Soto City of Newark Police Department Removal

In the Matter of Viveca Stewart Greystone Psychiatric Hospital Department of Human Services Removal

In the Matter of Laurence Stom State of New Jersey Judiciary Camden Viciange Suspension

In the Matter of Youssef Tanyous East Jersey State Prison Department of Corrections Removal

RECOMMENDATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE IN THE ABOVE CASES – SETTLEMENTS

A-2 VINCENT DE PONTE

Vincent De Ponte, County Correction Officer, Monmouth County, Corrections and Youth Services, 30 working day suspension on charges of incompetency, inefficiency, or failure to perform duty, insubordination, conduct unbecoming a public employee, other sufficient cause and violation of Department rules and regulations.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Modify the 30 working day suspension to a five working day suspension.

ACTION:

A-3 KEVIN KINGSTON

Kevin Kingston, Laborer, Township of Verona, Department of Public Works, 239 working day suspension and removal effective November 12, 2009, on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and being unfit for duty.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Reverse the removal and order the appellant to complete a fitness-for-duty exam prior to returning to employment.

ACTION:

A-4 DAVID LAMARR (REMAND)

David Lamarr, Police Officer, City of Newark, Police Department, 30-day suspension on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and violation of Police Department rules regarding telling the truth.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge - Reverse the 30-day suspension.

A-5 JANAEA A. MORGAN AND LORI ROSS

Janaea A. Morgan, Administrative Secretary, Fire Department, and Lori Ross, Program Monitor, Department of Development, City of Asbury Park, appeal the good faith of their layoffs effective June 30, 2010, for reasons of economy and efficiency.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the layoffs.

ACTION:

A-6 JEFFREY ANGOWSKI

Jeffrey Angowski, Electronic Systems Technician 2, Bergen County, Utilities Authority, removal effective March 28, 2012, on charges of incompetency, inefficiency, or failure to perform duties, insubordination, conduct unbecoming a public employee, neglect of duty and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Dismiss the appeal.

ACTION:

A-7 MICHAEL RIOS

Michael Rios, Sheriff's Officer, Passaic County, Sheriff's Officer, removal effective July 3, 2012, on the charge of conduct unbecoming a public employee.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Reverse the removal.

ACTION:

SECTION B – MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

B-1 JOHN A. JOHANN

John A. Johann appeals the decision of the former Division of State and Local Operations, which found that the Department of the Treasury had presented a sufficient basis to bypass the appellant's name on the State Budget Specialist 1 (S2413N), Treasury, eligible list.

B-2 DONNIS JACKSON

Donnis Jackson, a former Field Representative, Housing with the Department of Community Affairs, appeals the determination of the Acting Commissioner of DCA which found that the appellant had not been subjected to a violation of the New Jersey State Policy Prohibiting Discrimination in the Workplace.

ACTION:

B-3 GARRETT BROWN

Garrett Brown, represented by Craig S. Hilliard, Esq., appeals the removal of his name from the Police Officer (M7777L), City of Camden, eligible list on the basis of an unsatisfactory background report and failure to accurately complete his employment application.

ACTION:

B-4 CHARLES CHRUPCALA

Charles Chrupcala appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment that he was not eligible for the promotional examination for Project Manager, Data Processing (PS2588U), Office of Information Technology, because his application was received after the closing date of the examination announcement.

ACTION:

B-5 JANICE CLARK

Janice Clark appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she had no permanent status as of the closing date for the promotional examination for Secretarial Assistant 2 (PS0072Q), Office of the Public Defender, and her disqualification for the open-competitive examinations for Administrative Clerk (C0238N) and Secretarial Assistant 2 (S2073N), Office of the Public Defender, for possession of a cell phone at the test center.

B-6 BART GIACONIA

Bart Giaconia, represented by Joshua P. Cohen, Esq., appeals the decision of the former Division of State and Local Operations which found that the appointing authority had presented a sufficient basis to remove his name from the Fire Fighter (M2383H), Passaic, eligible list due to an unsatisfactory criminal record.

ACTION:

B-7 CYMANDE JONES

Cymande Jones appeals the decision of the Division of Classification and Personnel Management which found that the Department of Corrections had presented a sufficient basis to remove the appellant's name from the Correction Officer Recruit (S9987M), eligible list on the basis of an unsatisfactory driving record.

ACTION:

B-8 LINDA MERSE

Linda Merse appeals the decision of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which denied her admittance to the open-competitive examination for Public Safety Telecommunicator (C0941P), Bergen County due to a late application.

ACTION:

B-9 DEKONTEE LINCOLN

Dekontee Lincoln, a Human Services Technician with the Department of Human Services, Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital, appeals her return to her permanent title, Human Services Technician, from her provisional title, Technical Assistant 3.

B-10 TERRI COTTRELL

Terri Cottrell appeals the determination of the former Division of State and Local Operations that her position with the Department of Environmental Protection is properly classified as a Technical Support Specialist 1. The appellant seeks an Administrative Analyst 2, Data Processing classification.

ACTION:

B-11 FIRE FIGHTER (M2572M), TRENTON

The Division of Classification and Personnel Management requests that Trenton be ordered to return the February 6, 2012 certification for Fire Fighter (M2572M) for proper disposition.

ACTION:

B-12 DORIAN HERRILL

Dorian Herrill petitions the civil Service Commission for reconsideration of the decision rendered on September 19, 2012, which denied his appeal regarding his request for a make-up examination for Battalion Fire Chief (PM0146P), Newark.

ACTION:

B-13 TENNISE EZEKIEL AND NICOLE GRIFFIN

Tennise Ezekiel and Nicole Griffin, Senior Medical Security Officers with the Ann Klein Forensic Center, Department of Human Services, represented by George T. Daggett, Esq., requests reconsideration of the final administrative decision, *In the Matters of Tennise Ezekiel and Nicole Griffin* (CSC, decided January 25, 2012), which found that the appellants failed to support a finding that they had been subjected to a violation of the New Jersey State Policy Prohibiting Discrimination in the Workplace.

B-14 OLAYEMI ARAJUWA

Olayemi Arajuwa appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment that found that he did not meet the education and experience requirements for the promotional examination for Program Coordinator Mental Health (PS9830K), Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital.

ACTION:

B-15 VICTORIA ARMSTEAD

Victoria Armstead appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the open-competitive examination for Behavior Support Technician (S0767M), Statewide.

ACTION:

B-16 MELISSA BURK-POCINO

Melissa Burk-Pocino appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that, per the substitution clause for education, she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Technical Assistant Personnel (PS0229G), Department of Environmental Protection.

ACTION:

B-17 LOIS DIXON

Lois Dixon appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment that she does not meet the education and experience requirements in order to qualify her for a prospective promotional examination for Administrative Analyst 3.

B-18 DANIEL DOMICOLI

Daniel Domicoli appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services which found that he did not meet the requirements for the promotional examination for Assistant Supervisor Sewers/Assistant Supervisor Water (PM1156N), Belleville.

ACTION:

B-19 MICHAEL GILLENS, ET AL.

Michael Gillens, represented by Bette Grayson, Esq., Jerry Calabrese, Lillian Carpenter, John Melillo, Jr. and Scott Sayre, Sr., appeal the determinations of the Division of Selection Services, which found that they were ineligible for the promotional examination for Police Captain (PM7534P), Newark.

ACTION:

B-20 JEFFREY L. JACOBS

Jeffrey L. Jacobs appeals the determination of the former Division of Selection Services that he did not meet the experience requirement for the promotional examination for Heavy Equipment Operator (PM0858N), Township of Woodbridge.

ACTION:

B-21 SCOTT MCDONALD

Scott McDonal appeals his score for the oral portion of the examination for the second level Fire Captain (PM5227N), Irvington.

ACTION:

B-22 TERRIMENTO

Terri Mento appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Assistant Superintendent Developmental Disabilities (PS1807K), Hunterdon Developmental Center.

B-23 SHAWN NAIDUK

Shawn Naiduk appeals the decision of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that he did not meet the experience requirements for the open-competitive examination for Radio Dispatcher (C0335P), Ocean County.

ACTION:

B-24 JOHN RENFER

John Renfer appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that he did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Quality Assurance Coordinator (PS2323K), Hunterdon Developmental Center.

ACTION:

B-25 MELISSA RODRIGUEZ

Melissa Rodriguez appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Business Manager 1 (PS2055K), Woodbine Developmental Center.

ACTION:

B-26 BARBARA SCHUIT

Barbara Schuit appeals the decision of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Assistant Library Director (PM0700P), Hackensack.

ACTION:

B-27 MICHAEL C. SHAY

Michael C. Shay appeals his score on the open-competitive examination for Inspector Fire Safety (S2435N), Statewide.

B-28 MARGUERITE SILVA

Marguerite Silva appeals the decision of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Supervising Program Development Specialist, Corrections (PS0626I), Department of Corrections.

ACTION:

B-29 NASHEEDA SINGLETON, ET AL.

Nasheeda Singleton, Kerry Thompson and Leemy Waiters appeal the administration of the promotional examination for Correction Sergeant (PS6436I), Department of Corrections.

ACTION:

B-30 MARGARET SLATER

Margaret Slater appeals the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Secretarial Assistant (Non-Stenographic) (PS1442T), Motor Vehicle Commission.

ACTION:

B-31 DONALD I. STAMBAUGH, JR. AND JACOB I. SPADONI

Donald I. Stambaugh, Jr., and Jacob I. Spadoni appeal the determination of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment which found that they did not meet the requirements for the promotional examination for Assistant Supervisor of Recreation (PS7793K), Hunterdon Developmental Center, Department of Human Services.

ACTION:

B-32 RACHAEL TENNANT AND KHEM SINGH

Rachael Tennant and Khem Singh appeal the decisions of the Division of Selection Services and Recruitment that they did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Quality Assurance Specialist Health Services (PS9833K), Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital.

B-33 LAVONDA WRIGHT

La Vonda Wright appeals the determination of the former Division of Selection Services that she did not meet the education and experience requirements for the promotional examination for Technical Assistant Personnel (PS7086K), Department of Human Services.

ACTION:

B-34 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

Submitted for adoption are the Civil Service Commission minutes of its meeting of January 9, 2013.

ACTION:

B-35 ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR (M2399N), MOUNT HOLLY

Mount Holly requests permission not to make an appointment from the February 22, 2012 certification for Electrical Inspector (M2399N).

ACTION:

B-36 MARY A. REILLY

The Clark Public Library (Clark) requests that the provisions of N.J.A.C. 4A:4-7.1A(b) be relaxed in order to permit the retroactive Intergovernmental Transfer of Mary A. Reilly from the title of Librarian Reference, Irvington Public Library (Irvington), to the title of Librarian Reference, Clark.

ACTION:

B-37 WILLIAM HENDERICKSON AND THOMAS VAN GORDER

William Hendrickson, a Fire Prevention Specialist, and Thomas Van Gorder, a Fire Official, appeal their separation from employment with Vernon Township.

B-38 MARISHA PENN

The appeal of Marisha Penn, a Human Services Specialist 3 with Hudson County, of her 10 working day suspension, on charges, was before Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Evelyn J. Marose, who rendered her initial decision on December 5, 2012. At its meeting of January 9, 2013, the Civil Service Commission (Commission) adopted the ALJ's recommendation to acknowledge the settlement agreement between the parties. However, the Commission found it necessary to address the exceptions filed by the appellant. The proposed final decision is now submitted for the Commission's review.