

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
OF THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Robert Zak, Supervisor of Postal Services (PS4152G), Department of Environmental Protection

Examination Appeal

CSC Docket No. 2017-3827

ISSUED: **OCT 0 6 2017** (SLK)

Robert Zak appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services (Agency Services) that he was below the minimum requirements in experience for the promotional examination for Supervisor of Postal Services (PS4152G), Department of Environmental Protection.

The examination at issue was announced with specific requirements that had to be met as of the January 23, 2017 closing date (see attached). The appellant was the only employee who applied for the subject examination and he was deemed ineligible. Therefore, the examination was cancelled due to a lack of qualified applicants.

CONCLUSION

N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.6(a) provides that applicants shall meet all requirements specified in the promotional announcement by the closing date. N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.6(c) provides that, except when permitted for good cause, applicants for promotional examinations with open-competitive requirements may not use experience gained as a result of out-of-title work to satisfy the requirements for admittance to the examination or for credit in the examination process.

Initially, it is noted that Agency Services correctly determined that the appellant was not eligible for the subject examination. The appellant had two years and five months of applicable general and supervisory experience while serving

provisionally in the subject title from September 2014 to the January 23, 2017 closing date. However, the appellant's four years and three months of applicable general and supervisory experience as a Building Services Coordinator 1 from July 2010 to September 2014 was out-of-title. Further, the appellant's other experience in various positions as a postal clerk, stock clerk, and storekeeper as far back as September 1986 were not in the required area. Therefore, the appellant lacked two years and seven months of applicable general experience and seven months of applicable supervisory experience. However, Juliet Delvalle, Director, Division of General Services and Systems Coordination, confirmed that the appellant performed the required general and supervisory duties as a Building Services Coordinator 1 starting in July 2010 due to the death of a key employee and the inability to backfill positions due to the promotional freeze. Additionally, the examination was cancelled due to a lack of qualified candidates and the appellant continues to serve provisionally in the subject title. Accordingly, good cause is established to accept Mr. Zak's out-of-title work experience for eligibility purposes only, and admit him to the subject examination.

ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that the appeal be granted, the cancellation of the examination be rescinded and Robert Zak's application be processed for prospective employment opportunities only.

This is the final administrative determination in this matter. Any further review should be pursued in a judicial forum.

DECISION RENDERED BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON THE 4th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2017

> Robert M. Czech Chairperson Civil Service Commission

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Attachment

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CLOSING DATE: January 23, 2017

CLASS CODE: 22

SYMBOL: PS4152G

TITLE: SUPERVISOR OF POSTAL SERVICES

ISSUE DATE: January 01, 2017 TITLE CODE: 20205/MQRXR0

DEPARTMENT: EPA/ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

UNIT SCOPE: G245 Division of General Services and Systems Coordination

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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