



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

In the Matter of Judith Stantare, Administrative Secretary (PC1842U), Cape May County

CSC Docket No. 2017-2354

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
OF THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Examination Appeal

ISSUED: APR 1 1 2017

(RE)

Judith Stantare appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services which found that she did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Administrative Secretary (PC1842U), Cape May County.

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The examination at issue was announced with specific requirements that had to be met as of the October 21, 2016 closing date (see attached). As there were no admitted candidates, the examination was cancelled on January 23, 2017.

The appellant listed six positions on her application: provisional Administrative Secretary, Keyboarding Clerk 4, Principal Clerk Typist, Senior Clerk Typist, Clerk Typist, and Secretary at Container Decorating. She was credited with two years, six months in her provisional position and as a Secretary at Container Decorating, and she was found to be lacking two years, six months of qualifying experience.

On appeal, Ms. Stantare states that she has been an acting Administrative Secretary for over five years, since July 2011, to the Department Head of the Cape May County Health Department. The former Cape May County Public Health Coordinator submits a letter on her behalf, stating that he became the Health Officer in 2008, and that the appellant has assisted him with administrative duties, which he lists. He states that she became his full-time Secretary in July 2011.

N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.6(a) provides that applicants shall meet all requirements specified in the promotional examination announcement by the closing date.

N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.6(c) provides in pertinent part that 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, unless good cause is shown for an exception.

CONCLUSION

Initially, the appellant was correctly deemed to be ineligible for the subject examination since she lacked the minimum requirements in experience. However, the Public Health Coordinator confirms that the appellant has been working an acting capacity as Administrative Secretary since July 2011. With the acceptance of this out-of-title work, Ms. Stantare possesses the required experience. The examination was not competitive, with no admitted candidates, and Ms. Stantare remains in her provisional position as an Administrative Secretary. Thus, based on the documentation submitted and under these circumstances, good cause exists to accept Ms. Stantare's out-of-title work experience to satisfy the requirements for the Administrative Secretary examination.

ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that this appeal be granted, the examination cancellation be rescinded, and the appellant's application be processed.

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 5th DAY OF APRIL, 2017

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Chairperson

Civil Service Commission

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Attachment

c: Judith Stantare Elizabeth Bozzelli Kelly Glenn Records Center NEW JERSEY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES PROMOTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT



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SYMBOL: PC1842U

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH

TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

ISSUE DATE: October 01, 2016
TITLE CODE: 00112/ JYRER4
JURISDICTION: CAPE MAY COUNTY

WEIGHT CODE: *

SALARY: \$27,500.00 - \$55,535.37

CLOSING DATE: October 21, 2016
JURISDICTION CODE: C05000016

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Experience: Five (5) years of experience in the capacity of a secretary to an executive or administrative official in a public or private organization.

Note: Successful completion of a two (2) year program in secretarial science at an accredited college or university may be substituted for two (2) years of the above experience. You must attach a copy of your transcript to your application. Failure to do so will result in rejection from the examination process.

License: Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position. The responsibility for ensuring that employees possess the required motor vehicle license, commensurate with the class and type of vehicles they operate, rests with the Appointing Authority.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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