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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

In the Matter of Sharon Turner, Training Technician (PC0741U), Burlington County

CSC Docket No. 2017-734

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
OF THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Examination Appeal

ISSUED:

APR 1 1 2017

(RE)

Sharon Turner appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services which found that she did not meet the minimum experience requirements for the promotional examination for Training Technician (PC0741U), Burlington County.

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The subject examination was issued with specific requirements which had to be met as of the April 21, 2016 closing date (see attached). There was one candidate on the eligible list who was appointed on September 26, 2016.

Ms. Turner indicated that she possessed a Bachelor's degree and she listed eleven positions on her application; four positions as a Human Services Specialist 2; Human Services Specialist 1; Human Resources Information Systems Group Leader and Human Resource Assistant with Burlington Coat Factory; and Accounts Receivable Clerk, Supervisor Central Records Department, Assistant Supervisor Central Records Department and Record Retrieval Clerk with New Jersey Manufacturer's Insurance Company. A review of agency records indicates that she was provisionally appointed to the title under test in April 2016. None of her experience was accepted and she was found to be lacking one year of applicable experience.

On appeal, the appellant states that she was performing applicable duties as a Human Services Specialist 2, Human Resources Information Systems Group Leader with Burlington Coat Factory, and Supervisor Central Records Department and Assistant Supervisor Central Records Department with New Jersey Manufacturer's Insurance Company.

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. *N.J.A.C.* 4A:1-1.2(c) provides that the Civil Service Commission may relax a rule for good cause.

CONCLUSION

Initially, the appellant was correctly denied admittance to the subject examination since she lacked one year of qualifying experience. Her training experience while in the title as Human Services Specialist 2 was out-of-title work and could not be accepted. The appellant neglected to indicate her provisional position on her application, and she had been provisionally appointed in April 2016. Additionally, as a Human Resources Information Systems Group Leader with Burlington Coat Factory was not accepted as the appellant did not develop appropriate training courses and materials. Her experience as a Supervisor Central Records Department and Assistant Supervisor Central Records Department with New Jersey Manufacturer's Insurance Company did not have the announced experience requirement as the primary focus and also she did not develop appropriate training courses and materials. Nonetheless, the subject eligible list is exhausted, the appellant is still serving as a provisional appointee and she has accrued an additional one year of experience since the closing date. Based on the particular circumstances presented, good cause has been established to relax the provisions of N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.6(a) to accept the appellant's additional experience beyond the closing date and admit her to the examination.

ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that this appeal be granted, 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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Attachment

c: Sharon Turner Charles Sanfilippo Kelly Glenn Records Center NEW JERSEY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES PROMOTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT



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WEIGHT CODE: *

SALARY: \$50,061.00

CLOSING DATE: April 21, 2016

JURISDICTION CODE: T03000300

SYMBOL: PC0741U

TITLE: TRAINING TECHNICIAN

ISSUE DATE: April 01, 2016 TITLE CODE: 04207/ DNRCR5

JURISDICTION: BURLINGTON COUNTY
DEPARTMENT: BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICE

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Education: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree. You must indicate either possession of a degree or total number of college credits completed to date on your application. (Foreign degrees/ transcripts must be evaluated by a recognized evaluation service.) Failure to do so will result in rejection from the examination process.

Note: Applicants who do not possess the required education may substitute, in addition to the required experience indicated below, applicable experience on a year for year basis, with thirty (30) semester hour credits being equal to one (1) year of experience.

Experience: One (1) year of experience in employee development and training which shall have entailed the development of appropriate training courses and materials, conducting orientation, in-service, refresher, and employee development and training courses or one (1) year of experience as a teacher or instructor involving the development of course curriculum or lesson plans, preparation of course materials and conducting of classes in an adult education, vocational education, job training program, or elementary school through college.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 1. NJAC 4A:4-2.6 states that all requirements listed must be met as of the closing date, including assignment to jurisdiction/department, and satisfying the permanent status requirement.
- 2. ONLY ON-LINE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. YOU MUST COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION IN DETAIL. Your score may be based on a comparison of your credentials with the job requirements. Failure to complete your application properly may lower your score or cause you to fail.
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 4. NJAC 4A:4-1.5 states that any employee who is serving on a provisional basis and who fails to file for and take an examination which has been announced for his/her title SHALL BE SEPARATED FROM THE PROVISIONAL TITLE.
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