

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

## FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Maintenance Worker 1, Grounds (Special), Essex County

:

Administrative Appeal

CSC Docket No. 2019-741

ISSUED: September 13, 2019 (SLD)

The appointing authority's failure to dispose of the certification for Maintenance Worker 1, Grounds (Special), Essex County (Essex), while provisional employees are serving in the title, has been referred to the Civil Service Commission (Commission) for enforcement.

The Commission has reviewed the salary disapproval issued against the salaries of Hanomanjie Anarnauth and Roger McIver and has made the following findings of fact:

- 1. The appointing authority attempted to appoint Anarnauth and McIver to the non-competitive title of Maintenance Worker 1, Grounds. However, the requests were rejected since a special reemployment list for the title of Maintenance Worker 1, Grounds existed.
- 2. There are vacancies for the title of Maintenance Worker 1, Grounds and an outstanding certification was issued on March 19, 2015 from the special reemployment list.
- 3. The certification has not been properly disposed of and the appointing authority was advised of the required date of disposition.

- 4. The Certification Manager issued a Notice of Salary Disapproval to the appointing authority and afforded it an opportunity to appeal such action to the Commission.
- 5. No such appeal was taken, and no proper disposition of the certification was received; the salary disapproval, therefore, became a final administrative action.
- 6. By not properly disposing of this certification, the appointing authority is in violation of Civil Service law and rules.

In the instant matter, the appointing authority has refused to properly dispose of the certification issued to fill the vacancies occupied by Anarnauth and McIver. The appointing authority has not contested or appealed the findings of the Certification Manager. The payment of salary for which there is a salary disapproval is illegal and contravenes Civil Service law and rules.

The appointing authority, despite being given the opportunity, did not submit any arguments or documentation for the Commission's review.

## **ORDER**

The Commission orders the appointing authority to immediately dispose of the outstanding certification by making a permanent appointment of a reachable and interested eligible. Additionally, the appointing authority is ordered to immediately separate Anarnauth and McIver. Such disposition must be filed with the Certification Manager on or before 30 days from the issuance of this order. If no proper disposition is made within this time period, the Commission orders the constructive appointment of the highest ranked eligible(s). See N.J.A.C. 4A:10-2.1(a)3; In the Matter of Battalion Fire Chief (PM1640E), Deputy Fire Chief (PM1423H), Atlantic City, Docket No. A-229-87T7 (App. Div. December 8, 1988).

The Commission further orders that the costs incurred in the compliance process be assessed against the appointing authority in the amount of \$1,000, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 11A:10-3 and N.J.A.C. 4A:10-3.2(a)5, to be remitted within 30 days of the issuance of this order. In the event the appointing authority fails to make a good faith effort to fully comply with this order within this time frame, it is additionally ordered that fines be assessed in the amount of \$100 per day, beginning on the 31st day following the issuance of this order and continuing each day of continued violation, up to a maximum of \$10,000. See N.J.S.A. 11A:10-3; N.J.A.C. 4A:10-2.1(a)2; In the Matter of Fiscal Analyst (M1351H), Highlands, Docket No. A-4347-87T3 (App. Div. February 2, 1989). This matter will be referred to the Office of the Attorney General for enforcement and for recovery of illegal

payments and fines as assessed herein if full compliance is not effected within 30 days.

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 10TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019

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