

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
OF THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Albert Garth, Maintenance Worker 2, Grounds (PC2803B), Atlantic County

Examination Appeal

CSC Docket No. 2021-524

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ISSUED: NOVEMBER 27, 2020 (SLK)

Albert Garth requests to file a late application for the promotional examination for Maintenance Worker 2, Grounds (PC2803B), Atlantic County.

The examination at issue was announced with requirements that had to be met as of the October 21, 2020 closing date. Three candidates applied for the subject examination. Agency records indicate that there are two employees, including the appellant, provisionally serving in the subject title. The list has not yet promulgated.

On appeal, the petitioner presents that October was a difficult month as he had to care for his wife and himself. He indicates that he returned from a leave of absence in mid-October, and after adjusting back to work, he applied for the subject examination on the October 21, 2020 closing date. However, the petitioner states that he had to pause the application process to take his wife to emergency care. Upon his return, he was unable to complete the application as it was after the deadline. Therefore, he requests to file a late application for the subject examination.

CONLCUSION

N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.1(e) provides that applications must be filed no later than the announced filing deadline. *N.J.A.C.* 4A:1-1.2(c) states that the Civil Service Commission (Commission) may relax a rule for good cause in order to effectuate the purposes of Title 11A, New Jersey Statutes.

In this matter, the petitioner asserts that he was unable to start the application for the subject examination until the closing date due to health issues that both his wife and he were experiencing. Further, he indicates that while he was completing the application on the October 21, 2020 closing date, he had to stop and take his wife to emergency care. However, upon his return, the application deadline had passed. The Commission notes that the dual purpose of the Civil Service system is to ensure efficient public service for State and local governments and to provide appointment and advancement opportunities to Civil Service employees based on their merit and abilities. These interests are best served when more, rather than fewer, individuals are presented with employment opportunities. See Communications Workers of America v. New Jersey Department of Personnel, 154 N.J. 121 (1998). Further, it is anticipated that the subject list shall be incomplete as there are two employees, including the petitioner, who are provisionally serving in the subject title, and there are only three applicants. Therefore, the Commission finds that there is good cause to relax N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.1(e) and to allow the petitioner to submit his application and application fee after the closing deadline for prospective employment opportunities only.

This determination is limited to the instant matter and does not provide precedent in any other matter.

ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that this petition be granted, and Albert Garth be permitted to submit an application for the Maintenance Worker 2, Grounds (PC2803B), Atlantic County, examination. It is further ordered that Mr. Garth submit a promotional examination application and the \$25.00 application processing fee to the Division of Agency Services. The application and processing fee must be postmarked no later than 15 days from the issuance date of this decision. Upon receipt of the application and processing fee, it is ordered that his application be processed. Finally, if Mr. Garth's application and the required payment are not postmarked on or before the 15th day after the issuance date of this decision, he will not be entitled to have an application for the subject examination 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 24^{TH} DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020

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c: Albert Garth (with blank application enclosure)

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APPLICATION FOR PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION

NEW JERSEY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION —County and Municipal Government

\$ 25.00 FEE REQUIRED

Make Check/Money Order Payable to NJCSC

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INSTRUCTIONS: Please print or type. Answer all pertinent questions and ensure that all information is accurate and complete. Sign your name in Block 11. **NOTE:** No additional information may be accepted after the last date for filing applications has passed. **If you change your address, you must notify the Civil Service Commission immediately in writing.**

Return your completed application no later than the last date for filing listed on the announcement to: NJ CSC, 44 S. Clinton Ave. PO Box 322, Trenton, N.J. 08625-0322

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NOTE: Your application may be released to the Appointing Authority for the purpose of verifying information with regard to your qualifications.

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