		STATE OF NEW JERSEY
In the Matter of Jon Cohen, Auditor 2 (PS0425U), Department of Treasury	: : : : :	FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
CSC Docket No. 2020-1148	::	Examination Appeal
		ISSUED: SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 (TMG)

Jon Cohen appeals his eligibility for Auditor 2 (PS0425U) Department of the Treasury.

The PS0425U examination was announced with requirements that had to be met as of the August 21, 2019 closing date and was open to the unit scope U046 (OMB/Budget). A total of six employees applied for the subject examination that resulted in a list of one eligible with an expiration date of October 9, 2022. The appellant was found ineligible by the Division of Agency Services (Agency Services) as he is employed in the U791 Unit Scope.

On appeal, appellant indicates that he intended to file for Auditor 2 Taxation (PS0435U) Department of the Treasury. He asserts that he has the required amount of permanent service as an Auditor 1, had a lateral transfer, and that other Auditor 1s were deemed eligible. The appellant also requests that his appeal fee be returned if his appeal is not granted.

CONLCUSION

N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.6(c) provides that applicants must be currently serving in the announced unit scope and applications must be filed no later than the announced filing deadline.

The appellant filed for the incorrect examination. The promotional announcement for PS0425U clearly indicated that it was open to employees serving in unit scope U146 and appellant is serving in unit scope U791. Other than a claim that he transposed a digit on the examination symbol, appellant offers no explanation of why he did not read the announcement and match the title and unit scope to his own employment situation. Moreover, the PS0435U announcement had 68 candidates admitted with a resulting list of 52 eligibles. Given that the eligible list is complete, good cause does not exist to relax N.J.A.C 4A:4-2.6(c) and allow the appellant to file a late application.

With respect to his appeal fee, *N.J.A.C.* 4A:2-1.8(f) states that the fee is for processing purposes only and shall not be refunded for any reason except when submitted in error for an exempt appeal. As eligibility appeals are not exempt, there is no basis on which to refund the fee.

ORDER

It is ordered that this appeal be denied,

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 1ST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021

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