AGENDA OF REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

APRIL 6, 2022

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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

Submitted for adoption are the Civil Service Commission minutes of its meeting of March 23, 2022.

ACTION:

WITHDRAWAL OF APPEALS

The following appeals were withdrawn and removed from the hearing calendar:

Charles Clark, Mail Clerk, Hudson County, Department of Roads and Public Property, suspension.

Annemarie Sacco, Keyboarding Clerk 1, Hoboken, layoff.

Deidra Stewart, Parking Enforcement Officer, Hoboken, Department of Transportation and Parking, suspension.

Rose Villanueva, Keyboarding Clerk 2, Hoboken, Department of Public Safety, layoff.

ACTION:

SECTION A – HEARING MATTERS

A-1 SETTLEMENTS

Matthew Baitinger
New Lisbon Developmental Center
Department of Human Services
Release at the end of the working test period

Shyteak Baptist
Newark
Department of Water and Sewer
Removal and resignation not in good standing

Ezzedin Bautista
Essex County
Department of Citizen Services
Removal

Emmanuel Ogunrinde
Ancora Psychiatric Hospital
Department of Health
Removal
Quajir Smith  
Burlington County  
Department of Corrections  
Removal

Lee Sutherlin  
Essex County  
Sheriff’s Department  
Suspension

Kareem Turbeville  
Ancora Psychiatric Hospital  
Department of Health  
Removal

ACTION:

A-2  ROBERT BROWN – CSC DOCKET NO. 2019-2355

Robert Brown, Police Officer, Salem City, Police Department, appeal of the bypass of his name from the eligible list for Police Sergeant (PM0622N).

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Grant the appeal.

ACTION:

A-3  YAJAIRA FELIPE – CSC DOCKET NO. 2020-2714

Yajaira Felipe, Public Safety Telecommunicator, Paterson, Fire Department, resignation not in good standing, effective March 25, 2020, on charges of chronic or excessive absenteeism or lateness and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the resignation not in good standing.

ACTION:

A-4  SHANNON TURNER – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-3108

Shannon Turner, County Correctional Police Officer, Mercer County Correction Center, eight working day suspension, on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and violation of departmental rules and regulations.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the eight working day suspension.

ACTION:
A-5 THOMAS VALENTE – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-913

Thomas Valente, Police Lieutenant, West Milford, Police Department, removal effective October 4, 2021, on charges of neglect of duty and violation of various departmental policies.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Dismiss the appeal pursuant to a settlement agreement.

ACTION:

A-6 KIMY VELAZQUEZ – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-904

Kimy Velazquez, Bridge Operator, Department of Transportation, resignation not in good standing, effective November 29, 2019, on charges of job abandonment.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the resignation not in good standing.

ACTION:

SECTION B – MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

B-1 J.E.J. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1640

J.E.J., represented by Michael L. Prigoff, Esq., appeals his rejection as a Fire Fighter candidate by Paterson and its request to remove his name from the eligible list for Fire Fighter (M1863W) on the basis of psychological unfitness to perform effectively the duties of the position.

ACTION:

B-2 JEFFREY CARMONA - CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1587

Jeffrey Carmona, represented by Eric J. Marcy, Esq., appeals the decision to remove his name from the Correctional Police Officer (S9999A), Department of Corrections eligible list on the basis of an unsatisfactory background report and falsification of the employment application.

ACTION:
B-3  ISHMAEL GOMEZ - CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1123

Ishmael Gomez, represented by Corey M. Sargeant, Esq., appeals the decision to remove his name from the Police Officer (S9999A), North Bergen eligible list on the basis of an unsatisfactory driving record and falsification of the employment application.

ACTION:

B-4  ISHMAEL GOMEZ - CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1594

Ishmael Gomez appeals the decision to remove his name from the Sheriff's Officer (S9999A), Hudson County Sheriff's Office eligible list on the basis of an unsatisfactory background report and falsification of the employment application.

ACTION:

B-5  SKYLER CONTE – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1266

Skyler Conte requests to file a late application for the promotional examination for State Park Police Trainee (PS6917G), Department of Environmental Protection.

ACTION:

B-6  RACHEL HOLLINGSWORTH – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-2238

Rachel Hollingsworth requests to file a late application for the promotional examination for Environmental Specialist 2 (PS6204G), Department of Environmental Protection.

ACTION:

B-7  C.R. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1333

C.R. requests to file a late application for the promotional examination for Data Entry Operator 3 (PC4830C), Atlantic County.

ACTION:

B-8  RANDY DURAN – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1881

Randy Duran requests that the provisions of N.J.A.C. 4A:4-2.3(b) be relaxed in order to permit him to satisfy the United States citizenship requirement for the open competitive examination for Police Officer (M0103D), Newark after the closing date.

ACTION:
B-9  LORETTA GIDDENS AND LEIGHANN MATHIS - CSC DOCKET NOS. 2022-1601 AND 2022-1344

Loretta Giddens and Leighann Mathis appeal the determinations of the Division of Agency Services that they did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Social Worker 2 (PS6270K), Vineland Developmental Center.

ACTION:

B-10  RAMESH PATEL AND NIKOLAJ PROBOLA - CSC DOCKET NOS. 2022-1545 AND 2022-1674

Ramesh Patel and Nikolaj Probola appeal the determinations of the Division of Agency Services that they did not meet the requirements for the promotional examination for Project Engineer, Maintenance (PS6349T), Department of Transportation.

ACTION:

B-11  KHALID SANDERS - CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1131

Khalid Sanders appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services, which found that he did not meet the experience requirement for the open competitive examination for Storekeeper 2 (S0384C), Statewide.

ACTION:

B-12  MICHAEL TASSONE – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1104

Michael Tassone appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services that he did not meet the experience requirements for the open competitive examination for Municipal Recycling Coordinator (M0407C), Bayonne.

ACTION:

B-13  JANAI VAN WOEART- CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-2024

Janai Van Woeart appeals the denial of her request for a make-up examination for Police Sergeant (PM4528C), Carteret.

ACTION:

B-14  DANIEL BENDAS – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-961

Daniel Bendas appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0880A), Parsippany-Troy Hills.

ACTION:
B-15  TERRANCE COVERT – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1038

Terrence Covert appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0848A), Brick.

ACTION:

B-16  CARMEN DELORENZO - CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1706

Carmen DeLorenzo, represented by Annette Verdesco, Esq., appeals the validity of the test, and his score on the examination for Police Chief (PM3051C), Milltown.

ACTION:

B-17  HENRY DREW, III – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-997

Henry Drew, III, appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0848A), Brick.

ACTION:

B-18  JEFF GAJEWSKI – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1683

Jeff Gajewski appeals his oral score on the promotional examination for Deputy Police Chief (PM2059B), Jersey City.

ACTION:

B-19  SCOTT HOCHSTADTER – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-996

Scott Hochstadter appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0861A), Hoboken.

ACTION:

B-20  MICHAEL MAULSHAGEN – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1058

Michael Maulshagen appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0857A), Elizabeth.

ACTION:
B-21 FRANK SZEG, III – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-974

Frank Szeg, III, appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0882A), Perth Amboy.

ACTION:

B-22 WILLIAM TYLER – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1002

William Tyler appeals his score for the technical portion of the oral examination for Police Captain (PM0883A), Plainfield.

ACTION:

B-23 SUPERVISOR SANITATION (M0341W), NEWARK – CSC DOCKET NOS. 2022-1917, ET AL.

Newark requests the revival and extension of the Supervisor Sanitation (M0341W), Newark, eligible list to effectuate retroactive appointments.

ACTION:

B-24 JERMAINE RANDLE - CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-1845

Jermaine Randle, an Equipment Operator with Roselle, petitions the Civil Service Commission for interim relief regarding his immediate suspension.

ACTION:

B-25 W.F. - CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-495

W.F., a former Quality Assurance Coordinator with Ancora Psychiatric Hospital, Department of Health, appeals the denial of his request for Supplemental Compensation on Retirement pursuant to N.J.A.C. 4A:6-3.1(b)1 and requests additional compensation for unused vacation days upon his May 1, 2021 retirement.

ACTION: