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SYNOPSIS

Petitioner, a nontenured teacher, alleged that she was entitled to sixty days' pay when her employment was terminated after only one week of work.

The ALJ determined that petitioner was never an employee of the District and, therefore, was not entitled to any relief.

The Commissioner affirmed the initial decision, noting that petitioner was never an employee of the District since the State District Superintendent never approved petitioner's appointment to any position with the District pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:27-1 and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:27-4.1, thereby precluding her requested relief. Petition was dismissed.

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The record of this matter and the initial decision of the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) have been reviewed. No exceptions were filed by the parties.

Upon his independent and careful review of the record in this matter, the Commissioner concurs with the Administrative Law Judge that, as the State District Superintendent never approved the appointment of petitioner to any position with the District, she was never an employee of the District (see *N.J.S.A.* 18A:27-1 and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:27-4.1) and, therefore, is not entitled to any relief herein.

Accordingly, the recommended decision of the OAL is affirmed and the within Petition of Appeal is hereby dismissed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

June 14, 1999