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MEMORANDUM

To: Commissioners

From: Bob Anderson

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Re: Supplemental Report on Developments in the Counsel's Office Since June 29,2000

Commission Cases

The Supreme Court has denied certification in two cases: (1) Borough of Bogota and PBA Local 86, P.E.R.C. No. 99-77, 25 NJPER 129 (¶30058 1999), aff'd 26 NJPER 169 (¶31066 App. Div. 2000) (dismissing an unfair practice contesting a decision to civilianize police dispatching functions); and (2) East Hanover Bd. of Ed. and East Hanover Ed. Ass'n, P.E.R.C. No. 99-71, 25 NJPER 119 (¶30052 1999), aff'd 26 NJPER 200 (¶31081 App. Div. 2000) (dismissing an unfair practice charge asserting that the board was required to pay increments to support staff during negotiations to replace a three-year contract covering both teachers and support staff).

An appeal has been filed in *City of Newark and the Association of Government Attorneys, P.E.R.C. No. 2000-100, 26 NJPER 289 (¶31116 2000).* The Commission certified the Association of Government Attorneys as the majority representative of a negotiations unit of certain attorneys employed by the City of Newark. The City contends that the Rules of Professional Conduct prohibit the unionization of its attorneys.