## STATE OF NEW JERSEY BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of

STATE OF NEW JERSEY :

(DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY),

Respondent,

-and- : PERC Docket No. CO-H-95-71

OAL Docket No. PRC 10935-99S

COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS

OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO,

Charging Party.

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GEORGE GLOVER,

Appellant,

v. : OAL Docket No. CSV 10708-94

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

(DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY),

:

Respondent. :

## **SYNOPSIS**

The Public Employment Relations Commission dismisses a Complaint based on an unfair practice charge filed by the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO against the State of New Jersey (Department of Treasury). The charge alleged that George Glover's suspension and termination violated the New Jersey Employer-Employee Relations Act. The unfair practice charge was consolidated with an appeal filed with the Merit System Board by Glover. In a prior decision, the Commission held that Glover had engaged in some activity that was protected and other activity that was unprotected. It then transferred the case to the Merit System Board to determine whether Glover would have been terminated absent the protected activity based on legitimate business reasons and his unprotected activity. The Commission concluded that that determination involved an assessment of all the numerous specifications against Glover and was beyond the Commission's authority under the predominant interest order. The Merit System Board held that Glover was properly discharged based on his unprotected conduct and the employer's business reasons. The case was then returned to the Commission to dismiss the Complaint.

This synopsis is not part of the Commission decision. It has been prepared for the convenience of the reader. It has been neither reviewed nor approved by the Commission.