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 HUDSON COUNTY, :  
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SYNOPSIS

Petitioning former teaching staff member sought to invalidate a 1990 settlement agreement, approved by the Commissioner, concerning the District's withholding of petitioner's 1989-90 school year salary increment and filing of tenure charges of inefficiency.

The ALJ concluded that petitioner's claims were barred as untimely filed pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6:24-1.2(c) and granted respondent's motion for summary decision dismissing the petition.

The Commissioner affirmed the recommended decision for the reasons expressed therein.

February 28, 2000

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The record of this matter and the Initial Decision of the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) have been reviewed. The parties filed no exceptions to the Initial Decision.

Upon his independent and careful review, the Commissioner concurs with the findings and conclusions of the Administrative Law Judge dismissing this matter for untimely filing, and denying the related motions.

Accordingly, the recommended decision of the OAL is affirmed for the reasons expressed therein.

IT IS SO ORDERED.\*

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Date of Decision: February 28, 2000

Date of Mailing: \_\_\_\_\_

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\* This decision, as the Commissioner's final determination, may be appealed to the State Board of Education pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-27 et seq.* and *N.J.A.C. 6:2-1.1 et seq.*, within 30 days of its filing. Commissioner decisions are deemed filed three days after the date of mailing to the parties.