



**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION  
OF THE  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Tucker Brown,  
Fire Fighter (M9999W)

CSC Docket No. 2019-2817

Examination Appeal

**ISSUED:** August 16, 2019 (RE)

Tucker Brown requests that his residency be changed after the closing date for the eligible lists produced from the examination for Fire Fighter (M9999W).

The examination had a closing date of August 31, 2018, and consisted of a written portion, and a physical performance portion which is pass/fail and is administered after list issuance. The appellant passed the written examination and received a final average of 89.730. On his application, the appellant used a Clinton Township residency code, and an Annandale, New Jersey address. Annandale is located within Clinton Township, in Hunterdon County, New Jersey. Instructions to candidates were that the residency code should reflect where the candidate actually resides. Candidates were told that since eligibility needs to be established as of the closing date of the announcement, the residency code cannot be changed after the closing date, August 31, 2018, even if the residence address or mailing address is changed.

On appeal, the appellant stated that he lives in Jersey City, and he mistakenly used his old address in Annandale, New Jersey on his application. He provided a phone bill dated March 18, 2019, a voter registration registered on October 15, 2018, and a driver's license was issued October 15, 2018. The appellant was advised that this documentation does not substantiate his residency at the address in Jersey City on or before the August 31, 2018, closing date. The appellant responded by submitting a copy of a lease which indicated that his landlord was a family member and he was renting a unit in Jersey City from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2020. When asked to provide two more proofs of residency, he did not respond.

## CONCLUSION

*N.J.A.C.* 4A:4-2.11(e) states that, unless otherwise specified, residency requirements shall be met by the announced closing date for the examination.


The closing date was August 31, 2018, and the appellant indicated on his application that he resided in Clinton Township. After receiving his examination results, the appellant maintains that he is a resident of Jersey City, and he sent a copy of his lease. He was asked to provide two other common sources of identification for residency on or before August 31, 2018, and he did not produce those documents. He provided three proofs, each issued after the closing date, and the lease. As such, there is insufficient proof of residency to substantiate a residency code change for this application.

## ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that this appeal be denied.

This is the final administrative determination in this matter. Any further review should be pursued in a judicial forum.

DECISION RENDERED BY THE  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON  
THE 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019



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