AGENDA OF REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JUNE 6, 2018

Deirdré L. Webster Cobb, Chairperson
Dolores Gorczyca
Daniel W. O’Mullan
WITHDRAWAL OF APPEALS

The following appeals were withdrawn and removed from the hearing calendar:

Dawn M. Brown, Senior Inspector Mosquito Extermination, Monmouth County, Department of Administrator, 10 working day suspension.

Caitlin Koether, Veterans Service Officer, Hunterdon County, Department of Human Service, release at the end of the working test period.

Rebecca Lupkovich, Graduate Nurse, Hudson County, Department of Corrections, 30 working day suspension.

ACTION:

SECTION A – HEARING MATTERS

A-1 SETTLEMENTS

Annette Barnes
Burlington County
Board of Social Services
Release at the end of the working test period

Diane Brown
Jersey City School District
Suspension

April Maxwell-Henley
Burlington County
Board of Social Services
Release at the end of the working test period

Joanne Palatucci
Passaic County
Sheriff’s Department
Suspension

Charity Sims
City of Paterson
Department of Economic Development
Resignation not in good standing
Dasheek Touchstone
Essex County
Department of Corrections
Removal

Angel Vazquez
Hunterdon Developmental Center
Department of Human Services
Removal

Khadiatu Wheaton
Department of Health
Trenton Psychiatric Hospital
Resignation not in good standing

RECOMMENDATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE IN THE ABOVE CASES – SETTLEMENT

ACTION:

A-2 JOHN MULLIGAN

John Mulligan, Institutional Trade Instructor 1, East Jersey State Prison, Department of Corrections, removal effective January 23, 2017 on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge - Reverse the removal.

ACTION:

A-3 WILLIAM SHORTER

William Shorter, Correction Sergeant, South Woods State Prison, Department of Corrections, removal effective October 3, 2017 on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the removal

ACTION:
A-4 TIA SMITH

Tia Smith, County Correction Officer, Camden County Correctional Facility, removal effective April 16, 2017 on charges of incompetency, inefficiency or failure to perform duties, insubordination, conduct unbecoming a public employee, neglect of duty and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge - Uphold the removal.

ACTION:

SECTION B – MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

B-1 CARLOS CUEVAS, JR. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-1806

Carlos Cuevas, Jr., appeals his removal from the eligible list for Police Officer Recruit, Human Services (S9999R), Department of Human Services, for failing to respond to the certification notice.

ACTION:

B-2 KLEOVOULOS ZISSIMOPOULOS – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-2679

Kleovoulos Zissimopoulos appeals the removal of his name from the Police Officer (S9999U), Margate eligible list on the basis of an unsatisfactory background report.

ACTION:

B-3 POLICE AIDE (M0554T) IRVINGTON TOWNSHIP – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-1059

The Division of Agency Services requests that Irvington Township be ordered to return the March 7, 2016 certification (OL160244) of the eligible list for Police Aide (M0554T) for proper disposition.

ACTION:

B-4 WILLIAM MCNEIL-BILLUPS AND ALISA ROSA – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-2574

William McNeil-Billups and Alisa Rosa appeal the determinations of the Division of Agency Services that they were below the minimum requirements in experience for the promotional examination for Senior Community Program Specialist (PS3307K), Department of Human Services.

ACTION:
B-5  ADAM WOEHR – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-2942

Adam Woehr appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services that he was below the minimum requirements in experience for the promotional examination for Senior Community Program Specialist (PS3845K), Department of Human Services.

ACTION:

B-6  THOMAS GILLEN, JR. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-1894

Thomas Gilen, Jr., represented by Catherine M. Elston, Esq., appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services, which found that he lacked the required amount of permanent status in a title to which the examination was open for Sheriff's Officer Sergeant (PC2608V), Hudson County Sheriff.

ACTION:

B-7  LEO BARSANTI – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-333

Leo Barasanti requests that he be permitted to submit an application for the promotional examination for Police Sergeant (PM0849V), Orange, after the application filing deadline.

ACTION:

B-8  KEVIN GOINS – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-469

Kevin Goins requests that he be permitted to submit an application for the promotional examination for Police Sergeant (PM0895V), Woodbridge, after the application filing deadline.

ACTION:

B-9  KEYION JONES – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-817

Keyion Jones requests admittance to the promotional examination for Fire Captain (PM1058V), Trenton.

ACTION:
B-10  STEVEN SALVATORIELLO – CSC DOCKET NO. 2017-3591

Steven Salvatoriello requests a make-up examination for the promotional examination for Sheriff's Officer Lieutenant (PC2094U), Essex County.

ACTION:

B-11  CLEMENT COLLINS – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-348

Clement Collins, a Supervisor of Custodians with the Newark School District, represented by Keven P. McGovern, Esq., requests counsel fees in accordance with the Civil Service Commission decision rendered on April 5, 2017.

ACTION:

B-12  ERIC GROETHING – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-2442

Eric Groething, represented by Michael Prigoff, Esq., requests reconsideration of the final administrative determination In the Matter of Eric Groething (CSC, decided November 15, 2017), which upheld the bypass of his name on the Fire Fighter (M1544T), Jersey City eligible list.

ACTION:

B-13  DUANE WALLACE – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-1857

Duane Wallace, represented by Thomas M. Barron, Esq., requests reconsideration of the decision rendered on November 15, 2017, which denied his appeal of his removal from an unclassified appointment as a Confidential Assistant from the Township of Willingboro.

ACTION:

B-14  CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

Submitted for adoption are the Civil Service Commission minutes of its meeting of May 23, 2018.

ACTION:

B-15  CHRISTIE CROSSLEY – CSC DOCKET NO. 2018-788

Christie Crossley, represented by Edward Kerwin, Esq., appeals the decision of Jersey City to remove her name from the eligible list for Fire Fighter (M1544T) Jersey City on the basis of an unsatisfactory background report.

ACTION:
The appeal of Anthony Herrera, a Police Aide with the City of East Orange, of his removal, on charges, was heard by Administrative Law Judge Susana E. Guerrero (ALJ), who rendered her initial decision on April 19, 2018. At its meeting on May 23, 2018, the Civil Service Commission (Commission) accepted and adopted the Findings of Fact as contained in the initial decision but did not adopt the ALJ’s recommendation to modify the removal to a 90 working day suspension. Rather, the Commission modified the penalty to a 30 working day suspension.

ACTION: