

STATE OF NEW JERSEY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Deirdré L. Webster Cobb Chairperson

AGENDA OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

**OCTOBER 6, 2021** 

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# CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

Submitted for adoption are the Civil Service Commission minutes of its meeting of September 22, 2021.

# **ACTION:**

# WITHDRAWAL OF APPEALS

# The following appeals were withdrawn and removed from the hearing calendar:

Melissa Doktor, Senior Correctional Police Officer, Edna Mahan Correctional Facility, Department of Corrections, suspension.

Michelle Finikin, Judiciary Clerk 3, Hudson Vicinage, Judiciary, suspension and demotion.

Gary Victor, County Correctional Police Sergeant, Mercer County Corrections Center, suspension.

#### **ACTION:**

#### DISMISSAL FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR

The Civil Service Commission dismissed the following cases without prejudice for failure to appear at the scheduled hearing before the Office of Administrative Law:

Michael DiSanti, Supervising Emergency Medical Technician, Pennsauken Township, Department of Public Safety, suspension.

Anthony Prince, Operating Engineer 1, William Fauver Youth Correctional Facility, Department of Corrections, removal.

#### ACTION:

#### **SECTION A – HEARING MATTERS**

#### A-1 SETTLEMENTS

Chloe Bentley Ewing Township Department of Public Safety Release at the end of the working test period Tyerell Green Trenton Psychiatric Hospital Department of Health Removal

Jah'qiel Parkman Trenton Psychiatric Hospital Department of Health Removal

Daniel Turner Monmouth County Department of Reclamation Center Suspension

**ACTION:** 

# A-2 SAMANTHA CHIRICHELLO – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-872

Samantha Chirichello, Senior Correctional Police Officer, Edna Mahan Correctional Facility, Department of Corrections, removal effective December 4, 2020, on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Modify the removal to a six-month suspension.

#### **ACTION:**

#### A-3 ERNEST FARLEY – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1244

Ernest Farley, Correctional Police Lieutenant, Adult Diagnostic and Treatment Center, Department of Corrections, removal effective February 11, 2021, on charges of conduct unbecoming a public employee and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the removal.

# A-4 TIMOTHY FIRRMAN – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1073

Timothy Firrman, Senior Correctional Police Officer, Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Department of Corrections, removal effective January 26, 2021, on charges of neglect of duty and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Modify the removal to a six-month suspension.

# ACTION:

# A-5 HENRY GREEN – CSC DOCKET NO. 2017-3266

Henry Green, Laborer 1, City of Atlantic City, Department of Public Works, removal and resignation not in good standing, effective March 27, 2017, on charges of incompetency, inefficiency or failure to perform duties, conduct unbecoming a public employee, neglect or duty and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Dismiss the appeal for failure to appear.

# ACTION:

# A-6 JAMES JACKSON – CSC DOCKET NO. 2017-1744

James Jackson, County Correctional Police Officer, Mercer County Corrections Center, 20 working day suspension, on charges of conduct unbecoming aa public employee, neglect of duty and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the 20 working day suspension.

#### ACTION:

# A-7 HUMBERTO VANEGAS - CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1177

Humberto Vanegas, Laborer 1, Township of North Bergen, Department of Public Property, removal effective November 22, 2020, on charges of incompetency, inefficiency or failure to perform duties, insubordination, conduct unbecoming a public employee, neglect or duty, misuse of public property and other sufficient cause.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the removal.

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#### A-8 CAROLYN WHITEHEAD – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-534

Carolyn Whitehead, Assistant Zoning Officer, City of East Orange, Department of Policy, Planning and Development, removal and resignation not in good standing, effective July 23, 2020, on charges of insubordination and job abandonment.

Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge – Uphold the removal and resignation not in good standing.

#### ACTION:

#### SECTION B – MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

### B-1 IN THE MATTER OF EXPUNGEMENT UNIT TITLES, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY – 2022-526

The Department of Law and Public Safety requests that the Supervisor 1 and 2, Expungement, Agency Services Representative 1, 2, 3 and 4, Expungement, and Paralegal Technician Assistant title, in the Division of State Police's Expungement Unit, be reallocated to the noncompetitive division of the career service on an interim basis.

#### **ACTION:**

#### **B-2** K.B.-A. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1267

K.B.-A., represented by Stephen B. Hunter, Esq., appeals his rejection as a Fire Fighter candidate by the Township of Hillside and its request to remove his name from the eligible list for Fire Fighter (M1838W) on the basis of psychological unfitness to perform effectively the duties of the position.

#### ACTION:

#### **B-3 D.C.** – **CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-517**

D.C., represented by Nicholas J. Palma, Esq., appeals his rejection as a Police Officer candidate by the City of Paterson and its request to remove his name from the eligible list for Police Officer (S9999A) on the basis of psychological unfitness to perform effectively the duties of the position.

#### B-4 M.C. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-313

M.C., represented by Timothy J. Prol, Esq., appeals his rejection as a County Correctional Police Officer candidate by Essex County and its request to remove his name from the eligible list for Correctional Police Officer (S9999U) on the basis of psychological unfitness to perform effectively the duties of the position.

# **ACTION:**

# **B-5** A.M.D. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1741

A.M.D., represented by Lauren Sandy, Esq., appeals her rejection as a Fire Fighter candidate by the City of Paterson and its request to remove her name from the eligible list for Fire Fighter (M1863W) on the basis of psychological unfitness to perform effectively the duties of the position.

#### **ACTION:**

#### B-6 X.N.S. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1482

X.N.S., represented by Theresa Richardson, Esq., appeals his rejection as a Police Officer candidate by the City of Paterson and its request to remove his name from the eligible list for Police Officer (S9999A) on the basis of psychological unfitness to perform effectively the duties of the position.

#### **ACTION:**

#### **B-7** M.L. – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-611

M.L. requests a retest for the written examination for Human Services Specialist 2 (PC2215B), Passaic County.

#### ACTION:

#### B-8 TRINA LUCAS – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-451

Trina Lucas requests reconsideration of the final decision rendered on August 4, 2021, which upheld the determination of the Division of Agency Services that she was ineligible for the promotional examination for Clerk 3 (PM2673B), Newark School District, because she had no permanent status as of the closing date.

#### **B-9** CHRISTOPHER BEEH – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-341

Christopher Beeh appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services that he did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Assistant Sewer Superintendent/Assistant Water Superintendent (PM2979B), Freehold Township.

# ACTION:

# B-10 MICHAEL DALY – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-223

Michael Daly appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services that he did not meet the experience requirements for the promotional examination for Investigator, Secured Facilities (PS4358I), Department of Corrections.

# ACTION:

# B-11 GEOFFREY LOHMEYER AND JOSEPH PIROZEK – CSC DOCKET NOS. 2022-338 AND 2022-361

Geoffrey Lohmeyer and Joseph Pirozek appeal the determinations of the Division of Agency Services that they did not meet the education and/or experience requirements for the promotional examination for Chief of Land Acquisition and Design (PC2984B), Ocean County.

#### **ACTION:**

#### B-12 JESSICA NAGEL – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1976

Jessica Nagel appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services which found that she did not meet the minimum requirements in experience for the open-competitive examination for Employment Specialist (C0599B), Cape May County.

#### ACTION:

#### B-13 MELISSA NATALEWICZ – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-278

Melissa Natalewicz requests a retroactive effective date to April 11, 2020, of the reclassification of her position from Claims Investigator 1 to Claims Investigator 2.

#### B-14 ELISE SCHLOSSER – CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1561

Elise Schlosser appeals the decision of the Division of Agency Services which found that she did not meet the education and experience requirements for the open competitive examination for Environmental Health Specialist (C0612B), Sussex County.

# **ACTION:**

#### B-15 LOTTIE NEWLIN – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-256

Lottie Newlin appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services which found that she did not meet the minimum requirements in experience for the open competitive examination for Library Director (M0173C), Boonton.

# **ACTION:**

# B-16 TANIELLE SMITH – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-302

Tanielle Smith appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services which found that she did not meet the minimum requirements in experience for the promotional examination for Administrative Analyst 3, Information Systems (PS2540U), Department of the Treasury.

#### **ACTION:**

#### B-17 ROBERT WENTELER, JR., CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-334

Robert Wenteler, Jr., appeals the determination of the Division of Agency Services which found that he did not meet the minimum requirements in experience for the open competitive examination for Road Inspector (C0021C), Ocean County.

#### ACTION:

# B-18 NAZHAT ABOOBAKER AND KHALID SHAIKH – CSC DOCKET NOS. 2022-443 AND 2022-449

Nazhat Aboobaker and Khalid Shaikh appeal the scoring and validity of the Section Chief, Planning (PS0279T), Department of Transportation promotional examination.

#### B-19 JOSEPH BENNETT, SR. - CSC DOCKET NO. 2021-1775

Joseph Bennett, Sr., appeals the calculation of his performance assessment review points for the promotional examination for Regional Forester (PS3804G), Department of Environmental Protection.

#### ACTION:

#### **B-20 ROCHELLE PETTY – CSC DOCKET NO. 2022-304**

Rochelle Petty requests to file a late application for the promotional examination for Senior Juvenile Detention Officer (PC2176B), Essex County.