

MINUTES

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, October 28, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

522 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

9:30 A.M. CLOSED SESSION

Consideration of the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of public employees pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, for the positions listed below.

CONVENED THE MEETING AT 9:31 A.M. AND WENT INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:32 A.M.

10:00 A.M. AGENDA

RECONVENED THE MEETING AT 10:34 A.M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: ADKINS, FELTON, FOX, KAHWAJIAN
COMMISSIONER ABSENT: MARTINEZ

ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING ON VETERAN'S DAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2009, OR NOVEMBER 25, 2009.

ANNOUNCED THAT THE DISCUSSION REGARDING SCHEDULING OF HEARINGS HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 2, 2009.

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, October 21, 2009, for approval
APPROVED; COMMISSIONER FOX ABSTAINED.

Unfinished Business

1. *Petition of **ANITA FOXX** for a hearing on her **discharge**, effective April 30, 2008, from the position of Law Enforcement Technician, Sheriff's Department, **Case No. 08-189.***
REMANDED TO THE HEARING OFFICER FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE TERM "PEACE OFFICER" ON PAGES 11 AND 13 OF THE REPORT.

Unfinished Business (continued)

2. *Petition of **PEGGY LOVEMAN-SHERER** for a hearing on her thirty (30) day **suspension**, effective August 31, 2007, from the position of Deputy Public Defender II, Office of the Public Defender, **Case No. 07-406**.*
ANNOUNCED AS THE PROPOSED DECISION OF THE COMMISSION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER, ROBERT KLEPA, TO DEEM THE PETITION WITHDRAWN PURSUANT TO CIVIL SERVICE RULE 4.08(B).

3. *Petition of **JACQUELINE WALKER** for a hearing on her seven (7) day **suspension**, effective January 7, 2008, from the position of Eligibility Worker II, Department of Public Social Services, **Case No. 08-013**.*
ANNOUNCED AS THE PROPOSED DECISION OF THE COMMISSION TO ACCEPT THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER, STEVEN HOUSTON, TO SUSTAIN THE DEPARTMENT.

4. *Petition of **JOSEPH JOHNSON** for a hearing on his **reduction**, effective March 14, 2008, from the position of Consumer Affairs Supervisor to Consumer Affairs Representative III, Department of Consumer Affairs, **Case No. 08-122**.*
OVER-RULED THE PETITIONER'S OBJECTIONS. ADOPTED, AS CONSTITUTING THE FINAL DECISION OF THE COMMISSION, THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER, TOM SALATA, TO SUSTAIN THE DEPARTMENT. (NO ONE APPEARED FOR THE PETITIONER.)

5. *Petition of **ALLISON STEPHENS** for a hearing on her **discharge**, effective January 29, 2008, from the position of Law Enforcement Technician, Sheriff's Department, **Case No. 08-098**.*
OVER-RULED THE PETITIONER'S OBJECTIONS. ADOPTED, AS CONSTITUTING THE FINAL DECISION OF THE COMMISSION, THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER, MARY L. WILLIAMS, TO SUSTAIN THE DEPARTMENT.

6. *Petition of **CONCEPCION SAID** for a hearing on her fifteen (15) day **suspension**, effective December 4, 2008, from the position of Assistant Nursing Director, Administration, Department of Health Services, **Case No. 08-4087**.*
RECEIVED AND FILED COMMUNICATION WITHDRAWING THE PETITION BASED ON A SETTLEMENT. HEARING CANCELLED.

7. *Petition of **LEN TARLTON** for a hearing on his **discharge**, effective February 16, 2009, from the position of Intermediate General Maintenance Worker, Department of Health Services, **Case No. 09-1092**.*
RECEIVED AND FILED COMMUNICATION WITHDRAWING THE PETITION. HEARING CANCELLED.

Unfinished Business (continued)

8. *Petition of **G.R. WATERS** for a hearing on his **suspension** not to exceed thirty (30) days pending investigation, effective September 13, 2007, and twenty (20) day **suspension**, effective September 30, 2008, from the position of Nursing Attendant I, Department of Health Services, ValleyCare/Olive View Medical Center, **Case No. 07-417.***
RECEIVED AND FILED COMMUNICATION WITHDRAWING THE PETITION BASED ON HIS RESIGNATION. HEARING CANCELLED.
9. *Petition of **TINA M. PINON** for a hearing on the **Appraisal of Promotability score** received in the examination for Departmental Personnel Technician, **Case No. 09-1200.***
HEARING DENIED. (NO ONE APPEARED FOR THE PETITIONER.)

New Business

10. *Petition of **JACQUELINE GONZALEZ** for a hearing on her ten (10) day **suspension**, effective August 17, 2009, from the position of Children's Social Worker III, Department of Children and Family Services, **Case No. 09-1327.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
11. *Petition of **CHEN YU HSIU** for a hearing on her **suspension** not to exceed thirty (30) days pending investigation, effective September 1, 2009, from the position of Registered Nurse I, Department of Health Services, LAC+USC Healthcare Network, **Case No. 09-1357.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
12. *Petition of **EMMA JOHNSTON** for a hearing on her ten (10) day **suspension**, effective September 23, 2009, from the position of Eligibility Worker II, Department of Public Social Services, **Case No. 09-1333.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
13. *Petition of **ROEISHA THOMAS** for a hearing on her **suspension** not to exceed thirty (30) days following judgment of a criminal matter, effective June 24, 2009, from the position of Central Services Technician II, Department of Health Services, High Desert Health System, **Case No. 09-1331.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED. TO BE SCHEDULED AFTER COMPLETION OF THE CRIMINAL MATTER.

New Business (continued)

14. *Petition of **GREGORY WASHINGTON** for a hearing on his ten (10) day **suspension**, effective August 31, 2009, from the position of Intermediate Clerk, Office of the Assessor, **Case No. 09-1343.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
15. *Petition of **LISA B. ANDERSON** for a hearing on her **discharge**, effective August 14, 2009, from the position of Senior Departmental Personnel Technician, Department of Regional Planning, **Case No. 09-1359.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
16. *Petition of **DERRICK ENRIQUEZ** for a hearing on his **discharge**, effective August 20, 2009, from the position of Intermediate Clerk, Department of Public Social Services, **Case No. 09-1363.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
17. *Petition of **DAVID F. LORENZ** for a hearing on his **discharge**, effective August 10, 2009, from the position of Delinquent Account Investigator, Treasurer and Tax Collector Department, **Case No. 09-1348.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
18. *Petition of **CINDY SMILES** for a hearing on her **discharge**, effective August 24, 2009, from the position of Intermediate Typist Clerk, Department of Children and Family Services, **Case No. 09-1339.***
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.
19. *Petition of **ETHEL OWENS** for a hearing on her **medical release**, effective July 2, 2009, from the position of Nursing Attendant II, Department of Health Services, Health Services Administration, **Case No. 09-1341.***
WAIVED THE TIMELINESS ISSUE. HEARING DENIED. (NO ONE APPEARED FOR THE PETITIONER.)
20. *Petition of **STEPHANIE ASHFORD** for a hearing on the Director of Personnel's denial of the appeal of her **application rejection** in the examination for Children's Social Worker II/SPA 6, **Case No. 09-1277.***
WAIVED THE TIMELINESS ISSUE. HEARING DENIED. (NO ONE APPEARED FOR THE PETITIONER.)

New Business (continued)

21. *Petition of **JULIANA F. SIMIXHI** for a hearing on the appeal of her **application rejection** in the examination for Children's Social Worker II, **Case No. 09-1279.***
RECEIVED AND FILED COMMUNICATION WITHDRAWING THE PETITION.
22. *Petition of **JAMES R. WHITE** for a hearing on the Director of Personnel's denial of his appeal of the **Appraisal of Promotability score** received in the examination for Eligibility Supervisor, **Case No. 09-1260.***
CONTINUED AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT, IN ORDER TO PREPARE A NEW APPRAISAL OF PROMOTABILITY.
23. *Petition of **ISAAC Y. WONG** for a hearing on the Director of Personnel's denial of his appeal of the score received on the **written portion** of the examination for Principal Civil Engineering Assistant, based on his claim of a Civil Service Rule 25 violation, **Case No. 09-1267.***
HEARING DENIED.

Miscellaneous

24. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission.
NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 11:10 A.M.

CLOSED SESSION

Consideration of confidential peace officer appeals pursuant to Copley Press.

Unfinished Business

25. *Petitioner's request for a hearing on her **suspension** not to exceed thirty (30) days pending investigation, effective December 9, 2007, and **discharge**, effective May 30, 2008, from the position of Deputy Probation Officer I, Probation Department, **Case No. 08-244P**.*
CONTINUED AT THE REQUEST OF ESTEBAN LIZARDO, ATTORNEY FOR THE PETITIONER, IN ORDER FOR HIM TO BE PRESENT.
26. *Petitioner's request for a hearing on his **discharge**, effective August 31, 2007, from the position of Sergeant, Los Angeles County Police, Office of Public Safety, **Case No. 07-408**.*
CONTINUED IN ORDER FOR THE COMMISSION TO READ THE RECORD. (THE LEGAL ADVISOR DID NOT ADVISE THE COMMISSION.)
27. *Petitioner's request for a hearing on his twenty-five (25) day **suspension**, effective September 13, 2008, from the position of Deputy Sheriff, Sheriff's Department, **Case No. 08-393P**.*
RECEIVED AND FILED COMMUNICATION WITHDRAWING THE PETITION BASED ON A SETTLEMENT. HEARING CANCELLED.

New Business

28. *Petitioner's request for a hearing on his **discharge**, effective August 25, 2009, from the position of Detention Services Officer, Probation Department, **Case No. 09-1334**.*
HEARING GRANTED – HEARING OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED.

ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENED THE MEETING AT 11:17 A.M.

READ INTO THE RECORD AN ACCOUNTING OF ACTIONS TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION.

ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:18 A.M.

Legal Advisor:
Lester J. Tolnai

Chief, Commission Services:
Rochelle L. Williams

Head Commission Specialist:
Janice Davis

APPROVED BY THE CIVIL SERVICE
COMMISSION ON NOVEMBER 4, 2009

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lawrence D. Crocker".

Lawrence D. Crocker
Executive Director