#### STATE OF WASHINGTON

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:	)
COWLITZ COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE SPECIALISTS GUILD	) CASE 14191-E-98-2372
Involving certain employees of:	) DECISION 6510 - PECB
COWLITZ COUNTY	) CERTIFICATION ) Representation Election ) Pursuant to Agreement _) of Parties

Cline and Emmal by <u>Patrick Emmal</u>, Attorney at Law, appeared on behalf of the petitioner.

<u>Dick Anderson</u>, Personnel Director, appeared on behalf of the employer.

Betty Firth, Representative, appeared on behalf of the intervener, Teamsters Union, Local 58.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The above-named petitioner timely filed with the Public Employment Relations Commission a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation of employees of the above-named employer; said petition was accompanied by a showing of interest which was administratively determined by the Commission to be sufficient; and the employer declined voluntarily to extend recognition to the petitioner as the exclusive bargaining representative of its employees.
- 2. The organization(s) listed above as interveners timely moved for intervention in the captioned proceedings; and said motion for intervention was in each case supported by a showing of interest which as administratively determined by the Commission to be sufficient.
- 3. These representation proceedings were conducted by the Commission in the bargaining unit described as:

ALL FULL-TIME AND REGULAR PART-TIME SUPPORT EMPLOYEES OF THE COWLITZ COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE, EXCLUDING SUPERVISORS, CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES AND ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES.

4. All proceedings were conducted under the supervision of the Commission in a manner designed to afford the affected employees a free choice in the selection of their bargaining representative, if any; a tally of the results was previously furnished to the parties and is attached hereto; and no meritorious objections have been filed with respect to these proceedings.

#### CONCLUSION OF LAW

The unit described in finding of fact number 3 is an appropriate unit for the purposes of collective bargaining within the meaning of RCW 41.56.060; and all conditions precedent to a certification have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

#### **CERTIFIED**

The employees of the above named employer employed in the appropriate collective bargaining unit described in finding of fact number 3 have chosen:

### COWLITZ COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE SUPPORT GUILD

as their representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with their employer with respect to wages, hours and conditions of employment.

Issued at Olympia, Washington, this 14th day of December, 1998.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director

For organization listed on Line 4

For organization listed on Line 5

For decertification petitioner

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<b>5</b> .	VOTES CAST FOR NO REPRESENTATION	
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2.	THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION APPEAR TO BE (check one):	
	[ ] - INCONCLUSIVE, SO THAT A RUNOFF ELECTION WILL BE NECESSARY.	
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