

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

NORMA BURLINGAME and the PUBLIC)	
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES OF WEST VALLEY,)	
an affiliate of PUBLIC SCHOOL)	
EMPLOYEES OF WASHINGTON,)	
)	
Complainant,)	CASE 7269-U-88-1493
)	
vs.)	DECISION 3242 - PECB
)	
WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT,)	
)	
Respondent.)	ORDER OF DISMISSAL
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On February 23, 1988, Norma Burlingame and Public School Employees of West Valley, an affiliate of the Public School Employees of Washington (PSE), filed a complaint charging unfair labor practices with the Public Employment Relations Commission, alleging that the West Valley School District had violated RCW 41.56.140(1), by retaliating against Burlingame for filing a grievance.¹

The matter was reviewed by the Executive Director pursuant to WAC 391-45-110, and a preliminary ruling letter was issued on April 11, 1988, finding that a cause of action existed and assigning the matter to Examiner J. Martin Smith for further proceedings. Subsequent to the assignment of the Examiner in this case, the employees in the bargaining unit involved exercised their right under Chapter 41.56 RCW to change bargaining representatives, and

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The case was filed by Caroline Lacey, Legal Counsel for PSE. Only one case was docketed, under the title and case number stated above, as no information was provided concerning Burlingame and there was no indication that her interests were separate from those of PSE.

selected Teamsters Union, Local 524 as their exclusive bargaining representative.² Complainant Public School Employees of Washington thereafter ceased its pursuit of the case.

The Examiner made contact with the new exclusive bargaining representative regarding this matter, but Local 524 did not come forward to intervene or to ask that the matter be set for hearing.

On May 24, 1989, the Executive Director wrote a letter to the employer, Burlingame, PSE and Local 524, informing them that the case would be dismissed unless the agency was notified on or before June 7, 1989, that the case remained viable and affirmative steps were taken to bring the matter on for hearing.³ Nothing further has been received by the Commission.

ORDER

The complaint charging unfair labor practices in the above-captioned matter is hereby DISMISSED.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this 30th day of June, 1989.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION



MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director

This Order may be appealed by filing a petition for review with the Commission pursuant to WAC 391-45-350.

² West Valley School District, Decision 2913-B (PECB, October 4, 1988).

³ The letter addressed to her in care of the West Valley School District was returned by postal authorities marked "not here" and "Attempted - Not Known".