

King County, Decision 6498 (PECB, 1998)

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

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| KING COUNTY POLICE OFFICERS' |) | |
| GUILD, |) | |
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| Complainant, |) | CASE 12124-U-95-2858 |
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| vs. |) | DECISION 6498 - PECB |
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| KING COUNTY, |) | |
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| Respondent. |) | ORDER OF DISMISSAL |
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Aitchison and Vick, by Christopher K. Vick, appeared on behalf of the complainant.

Norman Maleng, Prosecuting Attorney, by Richard Hayes, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, appeared on behalf of the respondent.

The initial complaint was filed in the above-captioned matter on October 23, 1995. An amended complaint was filed on January 29, 1996. The processing of the case was postponed several times, due to the processing of a related unit clarification petition and a partial settlement of the controversy. A preliminary ruling was issued under WAC 391-45-110 on April 2, 1997, and the matter was eventually set for a hearing to be held on June 3, 1998.

On May 26, 1998, the Commission received a copy of a tentative settlement of this case which was signed by both parties. The union's letter covering transmittal of that settlement agreement asked that the matter be held in abeyance for 45 days, in order for the parties to finalize the settlement. Accordingly, on May 27, 1998, the hearing was indefinitely postponed.

In July of 1998, the undersigned Examiner inquired as to whether a withdrawal was forthcoming. The attorney for the union stated that the union was waiting for a letter from the Department of Transportation before withdrawing the charge. The case was thereupon returned to "awaiting word" status.

On October 14, 1998, the undersigned Examiner sent a letter to the parties, inquiring as to the status of the case and directing the parties to show cause why the case should not be dismissed. A period of 14 days was specified for a response from the parties. Nothing further has been heard from either party.

NOW, THEREFORE it is

ORDERED

The complaint charging unfair labor practices filed in the above captioned matter is hereby DISMISSED for lack of prosecution.

Issued at Olympia, Washington, on the 30th day of November, 1998.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION



WALTER M. STUTEVILLE, Examiner

This order will be the final order of the agency unless a notice of appeal is filed with the Commission under WAC 391-45-350.