

STATE OF FLORIDA  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RELATIONS COMMISSION

IN RE

Case No. CQ-2023-028  
(Relates to OR-1986-010)

AFSCME FLORIDA COUNCIL 79 OF  
THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF  
STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL  
EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO,  
CERTIFICATION NO. 1588.

Order No.: 24E-068  
Date Issued: January 22, 2024

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FINAL ORDER REVOKING CERTIFICATION 1588

On October 23, 2023, the above-referenced organization (Union) filed an application to renew its registration with the Commission. See Registration No. OR-1986-010. Section 447.305(6), Florida Statutes (2023),<sup>1</sup> requires an employee organization with less than sixty percent dues paying members for a bargaining unit to petition the Commission for recertification as the exclusive bargaining agent for that unit within one month of filing its annual registration renewal application (unless the unit is exempt pursuant to section 447.305(9), Florida Statutes, or is a unit for which a waiver has been granted under section 447.207(12), Florida Statutes). Section 447.305(6), Florida Statutes, also requires that the certification of an employee organization that does not comply with this requirement be revoked.

The information provided by the Union reflects that the percentage of dues paying members was below sixty percent for the bargaining unit defined in Certification 1588. Based on this information, the Union was required to petition the Commission for

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<sup>1</sup> All citations to the Florida Statutes are to the 2023 version.

recertification as the exclusive bargaining agent for the unit within one month of the date the renewal application was filed.

The Union failed to file the above-referenced recertification petition. Thus, on December 18 the Commission ordered the Union to show cause by no later than January 5, 2024, why the certification should not be revoked for failure to comply with section 447.305(6), Florida Statutes. The Union did not file a response.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 447.305(6), Florida Statutes, Certification 1588 is hereby REVOKED. This order may be appealed to the appropriate district court of appeal. A notice of appeal must be received by the Commission and the district court of appeal within thirty days from the date of this order. Except in cases of indigency, the court will require a filing fee and the Commission will require payment for preparing the record on appeal. Further explanation of the right to appeal is provided in sections 120.68 and 447.504, Florida Statutes, and the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

It is so ordered.  
RUBOTTOM, Chair, AARON and SASSO, Commissioners, concur.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this document was filed and a copy served on each party on January 22, 2024.

BY: Barry Adam  
Clerk



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