

State of New Hampshire

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION OF	:	
NEW HAMPSHIRE, SEIU, LOCAL	:	
1984, for ROCKINGHAM COUNTY	:	CASE NO. S-0396:6
CORRECTIONS EMPLOYEES	:	
	:	DECISION No. 97-043
Complainant	:	
	:	
v.	:	
	:	
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY	:	
	:	
Respondent	:	

ORDER TO MEDIATE

In response to the filing of an unfair labor practice complaint (ULP) filed in this matter by the SEA on November 26, 1996 and answered by the County on December 12, 1996, the Order of the Public Employee Labor Relations Board (PELRB) dated December 26, 1996 (Decision No. 96-119) continuing this matter for thirty (30) days during which the parties were to meet and resolve outstanding differences believed to have been settled, the various on-going voluntary continuances thereafter by the parties themselves during which time the *status quo* was, in the opinion of the County, maintained, and meetings held between the PELRB's issuance of Decision No. 96-119 and today, the parties, each represented by their duly appointed advocates, met with the undersigned in a pre-hearing conference to determine how to proceed with the disposition of the pending ULP charges.

After agreeing to proceed with further negotiations efforts, with the assistance of a mediator, in order to determine if the pending ULP complaint might be settled to their mutual satisfaction, the parties agreed to proceed as follows:

- 1) The parties agree to meet with Mediator Allan


McCausland on Thursday, May 8, 1997 at the offices of the State Employees Association, 105 North State Street in Concord, New Hampshire to consider how they might resolve their pending dispute relative to health insurance benefits for members of this bargaining unit.

- 2) Mediator McCausland has agreed, by telephone conference with the parties, to serve in this capacity at the time and date indicated.
- 3) The parties will engage in their own preparation efforts for the mediation session, which may or may not involve meetings without the presence of the mediator prior to May 8, 1997. No dates for such meetings have yet been set; if set, they will be by mutual convenience and consent of the parties.
- 4) The parties further agreed to notify the PELRB on or before Monday, May 19, 1997, if they were successful in resolving their differences relating to the pending ULP complaint. If the PELRB is not notified on or before that date that further proceedings, namely, the scheduling of a hearing date, are required, this matter will be dismissed from the PELRB's docket of cases.

The undersigned hearing officer adopts the foregoing agreement of the parties as and for the order in this matter.

So ordered.

Signed this 8th day of April, 1997.



PARKER DENACO
Hearing Officer