# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OFFICE OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT STANDARDS WASHINGTON, DC 20210

#### **DETERMINATION**

Determination of a Complaint Filed under Section 458.63 of the Assistant Secretary's Standards of Conduct Regulations (29 CFR 458.63) Issued pursuant to Section 7120(d) of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. 7120(d))

On February 17, 2017, the Secretary of Labor received a complaint alleging violations of Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations of the Assistant Secretary issued pursuant to Section 7120(d) of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (CSRA), in the regularly scheduled election of officers conducted on October 12, 2016, by AFGE Local 1045 in Gulfport, Mississippi.

Pursuant to Section 458.50 of the Rules and Regulations, the Chief of the Division of Enforcement of the Office of Labor Management Standards (OLMS) caused an investigation to be conducted by the Department of Labor. The investigation disclosed that the conduct of the challenged election may have violated Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations in that Local 1045 allowed a candidate to campaign to members while they were working and failed to resend election notices which had been returned undeliverable with forwarding addresses.

Apprised of these findings, Local 1045 agreed to conduct a new election of officers under the supervision of the Chief of the Division of Enforcement, in accordance with Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations of the Assistant Secretary. The agreed upon remedial election was concluded on June 16, 2017. It is, therefore,

<u>DETERMINED</u>, that there is probable cause to believe that violations of Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations occurred which may have affected the outcome of the election conducted by AFGE Local 1045 on October 12, 2016, but that these violations have been remedied by the new election, conducted in accordance with Section 458.29, under the supervision of the Chief, Division of Enforcement, OLMS, on June 16, 2017.

Therefore, enforcement proceedings under Section 458.66 of the Rules and Regulations of the Assistant Secretary to set aside the election conducted on October 12, 2016 are not warranted.

Signed this 18th day of July 2017.

Sharon Hanley Chief, Division of Enforcement

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July 18, 2017



Dear :

The enclosed Determination represents the Department's final disposition of the matter mentioned therein.

Sincerely,

Sharon E. Hanley Chief, Division of Enforcement

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July 18, 2017

Ms. Anglea Poirson, President AFGE Local 1045 PO Box 9081 Gulf Port, Mississippi 39506

Dear Ms. Poirson:

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Mr. J. David Cox, National President American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO 80 F Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Cox:

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