The Department of Labor and Workforce Development requests that the promotional eligible list for Claims Adjudicator Supervisor, Disability Determinations (PS3520N), Department of Labor and Workforce Development, be revived to allow it to make appointments.

By way of background, the announcement for this symbol was issued with a closing date of October 21, 2016. It was opened to the following titles in the Division of Disability Determinations: Administrative Analyst 3; Administrative Analyst 3, Information Systems; Senior Claims Adjudicator, Disability Determinations; Senior Claims Adjudicator Specialist, Disability Determinations; and Senior Claims Adjudicator Specialist, Disability Hearing Officer. There were 60 applicants resulting in 52 eligibles on the list. The list was issued December 6, 2017. Four certifications were issued resulting in four appointments. The last three permanent appointments were made July 21, 2018 off certification PS180603, leaving 48 remaining eligibles on the list, which expired on June 14, 2019. The appointing authority requests that the list be revived as it is in the process of making critical appointments in this title for the Division of Disability Determinations, which it shall make by no later than August 3, 2019 as it will lose its funding for the positions from the Social Security Administration if the positions are not filled by that date.

The Division of Agency Services (Agency Services) presents that N.J.A.C. 4A:4-3.4 provides that an eligible list may be revived for good cause. It indicates
that filling the positions from a recently expired list is preferable to and more expedient than announcing a new examination. Thus, Agency Services recommends that the promotional list for Claims Adjudicator Supervisor, Disability Determinations (PS3520N), be revived in order for the appointing authority to make critical appointments in this title for the Division of Disability Determinations by no later than August 3, 2019.

CONCLUSION

N.J.S.A. 11A:4-6 and N.J.A.C. 4A:4-3.3(b)1 provide that no list shall have a duration of more than four years. N.J.S.A. 11A:4-6 and N.J.A.C. 4A:4-3.4 provide that an eligible list may be revived in order to implement a court order or decision of the Civil Service Commission (Commission) in the event of a successful appeal instituted during the life of a list, to correct an administrative error, or for other good cause.

In the instant matter, Agency Services recommends the approval of this request as the filling of positions from a recently expired list is preferable to and more expedient than announcing a new examination. Further, the appointing authority has indicated that it has the need to make critical appointments in this title for the Division of Disability Determinations by no later than August 3, 2019, as it will lose its funding for the positions from the Social Security Administration if the positions are not filled by that date. Accordingly, the Commission finds that good cause has been presented to revive the Claims Adjudicator Supervisor, Disability Determinations (PS3520N), Department of Labor and Workforce Development, eligible list. In this regard, the list shall be revived and one certification shall be issued. Upon the disposition of that certification, the list shall be considered expired.

ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that this request be granted. It is further ordered that the Claims Adjudicator Supervisor, Disability Determinations (PS3520N), Department of Labor and Workforce Development, eligible list be revived and a certification be issued. Upon the disposition of that certification, the list shall be considered expired.

This is the final administrative determination in this matter. Any further review should be pursued in a judicial forum.
DECISION RENDERED BY THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON
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