On July 23, 1987 the District of Columbia Nurses Association (DCNA) and the District of Columbia Department of Human Services (DHS) filed "Joint Petition to Clarify Certification". The Petitioners request that the Public Employee Relations Board (Board) clarify the certification of DCNA, which was issued by the District of Columbia Board of Labor Relations on May 3, 1977 and grants exclusive recognition to DCNA for a unit of registered nurses employed by the Department of Human Services (formerly the Department of Human Resources). The purpose of this request is to include within the existing certified unit at DHS, a unit of nurses represented by DCNA and currently employed by St. Elizabeths Hospital, United States Department of Health and Human Services. In accordance with Board rule 101.11, Notices concerning the Petition were posted. No responses to the Notice were filed with the Board.

Pursuant to Public Law 98-621 and effective October 1, 1987, employees of the St. Elizabeths Hospital will become employees of the District of Columbia Government. The registered nurses currently employed by St. Elizabeths Hospital will become employees of the D.C. Department of Human Services.

The Board, having investigated and considered this matter, concludes that the purposes and policies of Section 1-618.9 of the Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 (CMPA) will be effectuated by the amendment of the certification for DCNA as the exclusive representative of a unit

The official certification issued by the D.C. Board of Labor Relations could not be located. References to it, however, were located in the case file. Therefore, a new certification number has been assigned to this "amended" certification.
of registered nurses at DHS. The amended certification shall reflect
the inclusion of the registered nurses transferred from St. Elizabeths
Hospital to DHS, and shall read as follows:

UNIT: "All registered nurses employed by the District of Columbia
Department of Human Services, including registered nurses
transferred from St. Elizabeths Hospital, U.S. Department of
Health and Human Services, pursuant to P.L. 98-621, excluding
nurses working at the Rehabilitation Center for Alcoholics,
management executives, confidential employees, supervisors,
employees engaged in personnel work in other than a purely
clerical capacity and employees engaged in administering the
provisions of Title XVII of the District of Columbia Comprehensive
Merit Personnel Act of 1978."

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

The certification of the District of Columbia Nurses Association
is hereby amended effective October 1, 1987, to include registered
nurses in the District of Columbia Department of Human Services, who
were formerly employed by St. Elizabeths Hospital.

BY ORDER OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS BOARD
September 14, 1987

Margaret P. Cox
Executive Director