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Government of the District of Columbia Public Employee Relations Board

In the Matter of:)
American Federation of Government Employees, Local 3721,)))
Complainant,)
V .)
District of Columbia Department of Fire and Emergency Services,))))
Respondent.)

PERB Case No. 04-U-04

Opinion No. 740

Motion for Preliminary Relief

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ORDER¹

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Complainant's Motion for Preliminary Relief is denied.
- 2. The Board's Executive Director shall refer the unfair labor practice complaint to a Hearing Examiner and schedule a hearing under the expedited schedule set forth below.
- 3. A hearing shall be scheduled in this case before March 23, 2004. The Notice of Hearing shall be issued seven (7) days prior to the date of the hearing.
- 4. Following the hearing, the designated Hearing Examiner shall submit a report and recommendation to the Board no later than twenty-one (21) days following the conclusion of closing arguments (in lieu of post-hearing briefs).

¹Since this matter concerns a Motion for Preliminary Relief, the Board has decided to issue its Order now. A decision will follow.

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5. Parties may file exceptions and briefs in support of the exceptions no later than seven (7) days after service of the Hearing Examiner's Report and Recommendation. A response or opposition to the exceptions may be filed no later than five (5) days after service of the exceptions.

BY ORDER OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS BOARD Washington, D.C.

February 24, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the attached Order in PERB Case No. 04-U-04 was served via Fax and U.S. Mail to the following parties on this the 24th day of February 2004:

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