## **CASE NO. 23-CV-185** (2022 CA 002435 P(MPA))



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## AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 872,

## APPELLANT,

V.

### D.C. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS BOARD, et al.,

## APPELLEES.

## ON APPEAL FROM THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SUPERIOR COURT, CIVIL DIVISION THE HONORABLE SHANA FROST MANTINI

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#### I. ARGUMENT

Pursuant to Rule 28(j) of the Rules of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, D.C. Water and Sewer Authority endorses, joins, and incorporates and adopts Appellee D.C. Public Employee Relations Board's brief in its entirety.

#### II. CONCLUSION

Both PERB's and the Superior Court's decisions are supported by the evidence and are not clearly erroneous. AFGE's subject disagreement is insufficient to support overturning the ruling below. Accordingly, D.C. Water and Sewer Authority respectfully requests that PERB's decision be affirmed.

Date: December 4, 2023 D.C. WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

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- 1. All information listed in Super. Ct. Civ. R. 5.2(a); including:
  - An individual's social-security number
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  - Birth date
  - The name of an individual known to be a minor
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    - (1) the acronym "SS#" where the individual's social-security number would have been included;
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    - (3) the acronym "DL#" or "NDL#" where the individual's driver's license or non-driver's license identification card number would have been included;
    - (4) the year of the individual's birth;
    - (5) the minor's initials; and
    - (6) the last four digits of the financial-account number.

- 2. Any information revealing the identity of an individual receiving mental-health services.
- 3. Any information revealing the identity of an individual receiving or under evaluation for substance-use-disorder services.
- 4. Information about protection orders, restraining orders, and injunctions that "would be likely to publicly reveal the identity or location of the protected party," 18 U.S.C. § 2265(d)(3) (prohibiting public disclosure on the internet of such information); *see also* 18 U.S.C. § 2266(5) (defining "protection order" to include, among other things, civil and criminal orders for the purpose of preventing violent or threatening acts, harassment, sexual violence, contact, communication, or proximity) (both provisions attached).
- 5. Any names of victims of sexual offenses except the brief may use initials when referring to victims of sexual offenses.
- 6. Any other information required by law to be kept confidential or protected from public disclosure.

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