

State of Maryland
State Labor Relations Board

In the matter of:)	
Communications Workers of America,)	
Local 2911/FOPCOP,)	SLRB ULP Case No. 09-U-09
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	
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Anne Arundel County, Maryland)	
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Respondent)	

Administrative Dismissal for
Lack of Jurisdiction

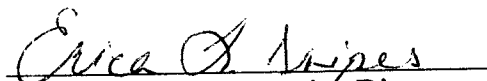
On May 6, 2009, Petitioner, Communications Workers of America, Local 2911/FOPCOP, filed a Complaint before the State Labor Relations Board (“Board”), pursuant to COMAR 14.32.05. In the Complaint, Petitioner alleged that the above named Respondent, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, has refused to engage in collective bargaining negotiations with Local 2911 in regard to various terms and conditions of the current collective bargaining agreement between the parties.

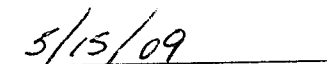
Petitioner’s Complaint is deficient. Petitioner’s Complaint fails to demonstrate that the Respondent is an agency, department or branch of any of the units of state government described in State Personnel & Pension Article §3-101(a) (1) through (4).

Futhermore, Article §3-102, “Applicability”, expressly states that the Title applies to certain employees of the principal departments of the Executive Branch of the State government; the Maryland Insurance Administration; the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; the State Lottery Agency; and the University System of Maryland, Morgan State University, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, and Baltimore City Community College. This list of covered agencies, departments, and educational institutions, does not include employees of Anne Arundel County or any other local governments.

By statutory definition, it is clear that the actions of Anne Arundel County are not governed by Title 3 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article and its provisions regarding collective bargaining and unfair labor practices.

Accordingly, the Complaint is administratively dismissed because of lack of Board jurisdiction over the matter.


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