CASE DIGEST: Dep't of the Navy, Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atl., 72 FLRA 510 (2021) (Chairman DuBester dissenting)

This case concerned the Agency's application for review of an FLRA Regional Director's (RD's) decision finding that a consolidation of seven bargaining-units was not appropriate under § 7112(d) of the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute (the Statute) because the Agency's petition did not identify a union who is the exclusive representative for all seven bargaining-units. On review, the Authority found that a petition for consolidation may be granted where some units are exclusively represented by various union locals and other units are exclusively represented by those locals' national organization. Therefore, because consolidation can be granted over the objection of the union as long as the petitioned-for unit is appropriate, the Authority granted the application for review and remanded the petition to the RD.

Chairman DuBester dissented, finding that the RD properly applied Authority precedent to deny the Agency's application.

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