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Summary of Cases Accepted During the Week of July 6, 2009

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The statement of the issue or issues in each case set out below does not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#09-34 International Assn. of Firefighters v. Public Employee Relations Bd., S172377. (A114959; 172 Cal.App.4th 265; Contra Costa County Superior Court; N050232.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed the judgment in an action for writ of administrative mandate. This case presents the following issues: (1) Is the decision by the Public Employee Relations Board not to issue an unfair labor practices complaint under the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (Gov. Code, § 3500 et seq.) subject to judicial review? (2) Is a decision to lay off firefighters for fiscal reasons a matter that is subject to collective bargaining under the Act?

STATUS

#09-32 *K.J. v. Roman Catholic Bishop of Stockton, S173042*. In this case in which review was previously granted, the court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *Quarry v. Doe 1*, S171382 (#09-30), which presents the following issue: Did the Court of Appeal err in concluding that plaintiffs were entitled to rely on the delayed discovery provisions of the statute of limitations (Code Civ. Proc., § 340.1) for claims of childhood sexual abuse against specified non-perpetrators who knew of the abuse and had the ability to prevent it but failed to do so?