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## **EMPLOYMENT - LOUISIANA**

## Alexander v. City of Alexandria

Court of Appeal of Louisiana, Third Circuit - November 5, 2014 - So.3d - 2014-452 (La.App. 3 Cir. 11/5/14)

Firefighter, who was terminated after his drug test results came back as diluted, appealed his termination. The Municipal Fire & Police Service Board affirmed, and firefighter appealed. The District Court affirmed, and firefighter appealed.

The Court of Appeal held that fire department satisfied statutory minimum standards for terminating firefighter who was under investigation after he delayed drug test and drug test results came back as diluted.

Firefighter signed the Firefighters' Bill of Rights, which was a reproduction of the provisions of statute governing minimum standards during investigation, firefighter had a letter from fire chief that indicated the nature of the investigation, firefighter was provided with all required written information, he used that information to provide a rebuttal document, he had the written notice with him while he was interrogated, he knew exactly what was occurring in relation to the investigation, and through the written notice and his copies of the bill of rights, he knew the identity of all persons present at each meeting with fire chief.

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