

FIRST DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF FLORIDA

United Faculty of Florida v. University of Central Florida Board of Trustees and Florida Public Employees Relations Commission

No. 1D2024-1676 · No. No. 1D2024-1676 · Decided December 23, 2025

SUMMARY

The Florida First District Court of Appeal affirmed without comment the dismissal of the United Faculty of Florida’s unfair labor practice charge against the University of Central Florida Board of Trustees. The court dismissed for lack of jurisdiction the appeal concerning prevailing-party attorney’s fees and costs because the Public Employees Relations Commission had reserved jurisdiction to determine the amount of those fees.

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

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STATE OF FLORIDA

_____ No. 1D2024-1676 _____

UNITED FACULTY OF FLORIDA,

Appellant, v.

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL

FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

and FLORIDA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

RELATIONS COMMISSION,

Appellees. _____ On appeal from the Public Employees Relations Commission. Kerey Carpenter, Chair. December 23, 2025 PER CURIAM. In this appeal from an order of the Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC), we affirm, without comment, the dismissal of the United Faculty of Florida’s unfair labor practice charge against the University of Central Florida Board of Trustees. However, we dismiss for lack of jurisdiction that portion of the appeal challenging PERC’s decision to award the University prevailing party attorney’s fees and costs. See Chang v. Local 1403, Metro Dade Fire Fighters, 345 So. 3d 384, 384 (Fla. 1st DCA 2022) (explaining that PERC’s reservation of jurisdiction to determine the amount of fees renders the entitlement portion of the order nonfinal and nonappealable). AFFIRMED in part and DISMISSED in part. RAY, KELSEY, and TREADWELL, JJ., concur. _____ Not final until disposition of any timely and authorized

motion under Fla. R. App. P. 9.330 or 9.331. _____ Richard P. Siwica of Egan, Lev, & Siwica, P.A., Orlando, for Appellant. Michael Mattimore and Jason E. Vail of Allen Norton & Blue, P.A., Tallahassee; and Craig F. Novick, UCF Office of General Counsel, Orlando, for Appellee University of Central Florida Board of Trustees. Daniel E. Nordby, Benjamin J. Gibson, Amber S. Nunnally, and Elise M. Engle of Shutts & Bowen LLP, Tallahassee, for Appellee Public Employees Relations Commission. 2