

No Veteran's Preference
for Cadet

Mr. Scott Blake, argued that he was eligible for Veteran's Preference Points and that the State Civil Service Commission should have adjusted his score accordingly and hired him for an investigator's position in a state office. *Blake v. State Civil Service Com'n.*, 133 A.2d 812 (Pa. Cwlth. 2016). Commonwealth Court agreed.

Mr. Blake attended the West Point Military Academy for three years, however left the Academy before he graduated, was commissioned, or completed any military duty.

The PA State Supreme reversed "after reviewing the relevant statutory language, we conclude that the General Assembly did not intend to bestow a veteran's preference to someone who was a cadet at a military academy, but never obligated himself to perform, or otherwise undertook, any subsequent military service.