

**CASE DIGEST:**     *U.S. Dep't of VA, John J. Pershing VA Med. Ctr, Poplar Bluff, Mo.,*  
72 FLRA 323 (Chairman DuBester concurring)

The Arbitrator issued an award finding that the Agency violated the terms of the parties' agreement by wrongfully denying requests for use of official time. The Authority concluded, however, that the Agency failed to demonstrate that the Arbitrator's award was contrary to law or otherwise deficient. Accordingly, the Authority denied its exceptions to the award. The Authority also dismissed the Agency's exceptions to the supplemental award implementing the remedy, because the Agency had the opportunity to present its arguments to the Arbitrator but did not do so.

Chairman DuBester concurred in the decision to deny the Agency's exceptions to the award and dismiss its exceptions to the supplemental award.

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