CASE DIGEST: U.S. DOJ, Fed. BOP, Fed. Corr. Complex, Yazoo City, Miss., 74 FLRA 157 (2024) (Chairman Grundmann concurring; Member Kiko dissenting)

The Arbitrator issued an interim award finding the Union's grievance procedurally arbitrable. The Agency filed interlocutory exceptions on the ground that the interim award failed to draw its essence from the parties' agreement. The Authority found that the Agency failed to satisfy the standard for interlocutory review, and therefore dismissed the Agency's exceptions without prejudice.

## Chairman Grundmann concurred.

Member Kiko dissented, reiterating her concerns with the majority's interlocutory-review standard. In her view, interlocutory review was warranted because the Arbitrator's procedural-arbitrability determination conflicted with the clear grievance-filing deadline in the parties' collective-bargaining agreement.

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