

OPINION SUMMARY
MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS – EASTERN DISTRICT

DIVISION THREE

ROXANNE RUPPEL,)	No. ED93719
)	
Plaintiff/Appellant,)	Appeal from the Circuit Court
)	of St. Louis County
vs.)	08SL-CC01043
)	
CITY OF VALLEY PARK,)	Honorable Tom DePriest, Jr.
)	
Defendant/Respondent.)	FILED: May 18, 2010

Before Glenn A. Norton, P.J., Mary K. Hoff, J., and Lawrence E. Mooney, J.

PER CURIAM

Roxanne Ruppel (Ruppel) appeals from the trial court's grant of summary judgment in favor of the City of Valley Park (the City) on Ruppel's petition alleging that the City discriminated against her because of her sex when it terminated her employment, in violation of the Missouri Human Rights Act, Section 213.055¹. We reverse and remand for further proceedings.

REVERSED AND REMANDED.

Division Three Holds: Because disputed issues of material fact exist with regard to the City's reasons for terminating Ruppel's employment, the trial court erred in entering summary judgment in favor of the City on Ruppel's claim of employment discrimination.

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¹ All statutory citations are to RSMo 2000, unless otherwise indicated.