

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Suspension)	
)	
or Revocation of the Educator)	CONSENT ORDER OF
)	
Certificate of John Marshall Hollman)	PUBLIC REPRIMAND
)	
<u>Certificate 194219</u>)	

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on June 10, 2015. On May 6, 2015, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) contacted John Marshall Hollman regarding the possible disciplinary action of his educator certificate. Mr. Holloman informed the SCDE that he agreed to waive his right to a hearing and accept a public reprimand of his educator certificate. After considering the information presented by the SCDE, the State Board voted to accept the Consent Order of Public Reprimand.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Mr. Hollman holds a valid South Carolina professional educator certificate and has over sixteen (16) years of teaching experience. He has no prior record of disciplinary action with the State Board. Mr. Hollman has been employed by Beaufort County School District (District) since 1999 as social studies teacher and wrestling coach at Bluffton High School (School). On May 21, 2014, an incident occurred that demonstrated Mr. Hollman's failure to exercise acceptable professional judgment in his interactions with students. On May 24, 2014, Mr. Hollman was placed on administrative leave for eleven (11) days. On June 4, 2014 Mr. Hollman returned to school following an investigation by the District.

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Mr. Hollman acknowledges that he has engaged in unprofessional conduct. He waives his right to a hearing and understands that the terms set forth are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review. Mr. Hollman consents to the public reprimand of his educator certificate, subject to the following terms: (1) a Public Reprimand shall be issued by the State Board, (2) the Public Reprimand shall be reported to all school districts in South Carolina, and (3) the Consent Order of Public Reprimand shall be posted on the SCDE's website and shall be maintained as a public record in the SCDE's Office of General Counsel. After considering the

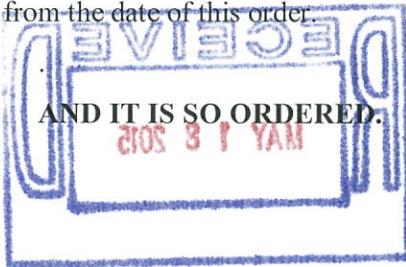
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evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the Consent Order of Public Reprimand with the terms set forth above.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

“The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person.” S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (Rev. 2004); The State Board may, for just cause, issue a public reprimand. 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58 (2011). Just cause includes unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-2-160 (Rev. 2004). The State Board finds that the evidence presented, which is undisputed by Mr. Hollman, demonstrates that Mr. Hollman engaged in unprofessional conduct, as a result of poor judgment in an incident involving his interactions with students and that just cause exists to publicly reprimand Mr. Hollman. The evidence presented supports the State Board’s decision to accept the Consent Order of Public Reprimand.

Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Consent Order of Public Reprimand is accepted and issued to John Marshall Hollman, certificate 194219. The public reprimand of Mr. Hollman, certificate 194219 shall be reported to all South Carolina school districts within thirty days from the date of this order.



South Carolina State Board of Education

Dr. Traci Young Cooper, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina

June 10, 2015

I, John Marshall Hollman, S.C. Educator Certificate 194219, have read the Consent Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of two pages, and I freely and voluntarily agree to the terms set forth therein. I agree to the proposed Consent Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the South Carolina State Board of Education on June 10, 2015.

Signature

5-15-15
Date