

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Permanent Revocation)
of the Educator Certificate of)
Bryan D. Hall)
Certificate 235720)
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**ORDER OF PERMANENT
REVOCATION**

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on March 12, 2014. On December 19, 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) sent a notice letter to Mr. Bryan D. Hall that the State Board would meet to make a determination regarding the possible suspension or revocation of his South Carolina educator certificate 235720 based on the statutory grounds of unprofessional conduct. On December 23, 2013, Mr. Hall received the notice as evidenced by a domestic return-receipt bearing his signature. Mr. Hall did not request a hearing in this matter and is in default.

After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to permanently revoke Mr. Hall's educator certificate 235720, effective March 12, 2014.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The State Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 and § 59-25-160 (Rev. 2004).

Mr. Hall holds a professional South Carolina educator certificate and has five years of teaching experience. The Pickens County School District (District) employed Mr. Hall as a teacher on June 2, 2007. Mr. Hall was assigned to Easley High School (School) where he taught Biology. In addition to teaching, Mr. Hall coached athletics at the school.

Mr. Hall resigned from the District, effective April 30, 2013, during an investigation into allegations that Mr. Hall had engaged in an inappropriate relationship with a female student at the School. The father of the student reported that that an unknown caller contacted his wife and advised her that a picture of her daughter and Mr. Hall kissing was being circulated around school. The father of the student confronted the student with this information and the student admitted that she and Mr. Hall had been involved in a relationship since August 2012. The

student admitted that she had engaged in sexual relations with Mr. Hall. The father contacted Mr. Hall concerning this matter. According to the father, Mr. Hall did not admit to any specific contact or behavior, but Mr. Hall apologized several times for what he did to the student and her family. The female student did not cooperate with law enforcement during the investigation and the Easley Police Department closed its criminal investigation.

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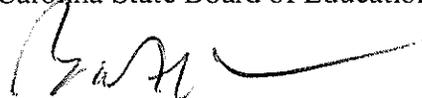
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

"The State Board may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (Rev. 2004). Just cause includes "unprofessional conduct." S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (Rev. 2004); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58 (Supp. 2012). The State Board finds that Mr. Hall engaged in unprofessional conduct as a result of his inappropriate relationship with a student.

The State Board finds that the evidence presented by the SCDE supports its decision that just cause exists to permanently revoke the educator certificate of Bryan D. Hall, certificate 235720. The permanent revocation of Mr. Hall's educator certificate 235720 shall be reported to the NASDTEC Clearinghouse and all South Carolina school districts within thirty days from the date of this order.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

South Carolina State Board of Education

By:  _____

Barry F. Bolen, Chair

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Bryan D. Hall
113 Kelly Lane
Easley, SC 29642

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME LaTonia T. Holloway, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That she is an Administrative Assistant for the South Carolina Department of Education, Office of General Counsel with offices at Columbia, SC; that on the 13th day of March, 2014, she mailed in a sealed envelope, postage prepaid, a copy of Mr. Bryan D. Hall's Order of Revocation to Mr. Hall, at the above address.

LaTonia T. Holloway
LaTonia T. Holloway
Administrative Assistant

SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 13
DAY of March, 2014.

Wanda A. Davis
Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: My Commission Expires
March 17, 2016

