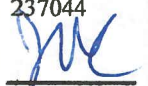


BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the	)	
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Educator Certificate of	)	CONSENT ORDER OF
	)	SUSPENSION
Jeremy Wayne Chassereau	)	
	)	
<u>Educator Certificate 237044</u>	)	

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on April 10, 2018. On September 27, 2017, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) sent notice via regular and certified mail, return receipt requested, to Jeremy Wayne Chassereau, concerning the pending action against his educator certificate 237044. After Mr. Chassereau received the notice, he contacted the SCDE to request a hearing. Prior to the scheduling of a hearing in this matter, Mr. Chassereau's counsel informed the SCDE that Mr. Chassereau had agreed to waive his right to a hearing and enter into this Consent Order of Suspension (Consent Order) of his educator certificate 237044 for a period of one year. He has also agreed to attend the NASDTEC "Prevention and Corrections" course in professional boundaries and ethics. After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the Consent Order of Suspension of Mr. Chassereau's educator certificate for a period of one year commencing on April 10, 2018, and ending on April 9, 2019.

Jeremy Wayne Chassereau 237044

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<u>3/29/18</u>
Date

FINDINGS OF FACT

Jeremy Wayne Chassereau holds a valid South Carolina professional educator certificate. Mr. Chassereau has over ten years of educator experience and has no prior record of disciplinary action with the State Board.

Mr. Chassereau was employed by the Greenville County School District (District) as an English teacher at Riverside High School (School). During his time at the School, Mr. Chassereau entered into a consensual relationship with another teacher and sent her inappropriate text messages during School hours and while on School property.

After the inappropriate text messages were discovered, the District performed a forensic scan of Mr. Chassereau's computer. This scan revealed software recovery

programs Mr. Chassereau installed on his District computer without District approval. The programs were used to retrieve files from at least two different cell phones. These files included multiple inappropriate images that Mr. Chassereau stored on the District device. Mr. Chassereau deleted the images before turning in the device when he was issued a new District computer on March 15, 2017. The District's technology staff used forensic software to retrieve the files.

Mr. Chassereau was placed on administrative leave on July 12, 2017, and resigned from the District when presented with the allegations against him. On August 24, 2017, the District reported Mr. Chassereau's unprofessional conduct to the SCDE.

Mr. Chassereau admits he violated the District's technology use policy. He has agreed to waive his right to a hearing and to resolve this disciplinary matter by entering into this Consent Order as an alternate resolution to this matter. Mr. Chassereau agrees that his educator's certificate will be suspended for a period of one year. He has also agreed to attend NASDTEC "Prevention and Corrections" course in professional boundaries and ethics. After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the Consent Order of Suspension with the terms set forth above.

Jeremy
Wayne
Chassereau
237044

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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); S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2016). Just cause includes unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2016); 24 S.C. Code Regs. 43-58 (2016). The State Board finds that the evidence presented demonstrates that Mr. Chassereau engaged in unprofessional conduct by sending inappropriate communications during School time and violating the District technology policy. The State Board further finds that just cause exists for the suspension of Mr. Chassereau's educator certificate for a period of one year, commencing on April 10, 2018, and ending on April 9, 2019.

Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered that the educator certificate of Jeremy Wayne Chassereau, certificate 237044, is suspended for a period of one year commencing on April 10, 2018, and ending on April 9, 2019. Mr. Chassereau shall attend the NASDTEC "Prevention and Corrections" course in professional boundaries and ethics.

If Mr. Chassereau wishes to have his certificate reinstated at the conclusion of the period of suspension, he shall make a written request to the SCDE's Office of Educator Services and shall provide a certificate of completion of the NASDTEC "Prevention and Corrections" course in professional boundaries and ethics. Mr. Chassereau shall be responsible for meeting all certification requirements in effect at the time he requests reinstatement and for the payment of any applicable reinstatement fees. The suspension of Mr. Chassereau's educator certificate 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: Sharon Wall / [Signature]
Sharon Wall, EdD, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina
April 10, 2018

I, Jeremy Wayne Chassereau, SC Educator Certificate 237044, understand there has been an investigation concerning alleged violations of the laws and regulations governing the practice of educator certificate holders and that I have waived my right to a hearing in this matter. I understand the terms set forth in this Consent Order of Suspension are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review. I agree to the terms of this Consent Order of Suspension, consisting of three pages, and understand that this Order will be presented to the State Board for approval on April 10, 2018. I understand this Order will not become effective until approved by the State Board and, if not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in this proceeding or prejudice the right of the State Board to adjudicate this matter.

Jeremy Wayne Chassereau
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3/29/18
Date