26-18SEC (SEC Decision: http://www.state.nj.us/education/legal/ethics/training/T03-17.pdf)

AGENCY DKT. NO. 298-12/17

IN THE MATTER OF GLADWYN BAPTIST,	:	
COMPASSS ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL,	:	COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION
CUMBERLAND COUNTY.	:	DECISION
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The Commissioner has reviewed the record of this matter and the decision of the School Ethics Commission (SEC), finding that respondent violated the School Ethics Act (SEA) for failure to timely complete the Governance 1 training program by June 30, 2017 – in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-33, *N.J.A.C.* 6A:28-4.1, and *N.J.A.C.* 6A:11-3.1(a). The SEC's decision was forwarded to the Commissioner for final determination on the recommended penalty pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-29(c). The SEC advises that as of the date of its decision, respondent had not completed the training as directed. Respondent has neither filed exceptions to the recommended penalty, nor instituted an appeal of the SEC's underlying finding of violation pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6A:4-1 *et seq.*

Upon review, the Commissioner concurs with the penalty recommended by the SEC for respondent's failure to timely honor an obligation placed upon charter school trustees by law. Additionally, respondent is admonished for causing the unnecessary expenditure of administrative and adjudicative resources at both State and local levels.

Accordingly, respondent is hereby suspended for 30 days as a school official found to have violated the SEA, effective from the date of this decision. If respondent fails to complete training during the 30-day suspension period, he shall be removed from office on the 31st day.

IT IS SO ORDERED.[1]

ACTING COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Date of Decision: February 12, 2018

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[1] This decision may be appealed to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court pursuant to *P.L.* 2008, *c.* 36 (*N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-9.1).