IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

THE CERTIFICATE OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

THOMAS FOX : ORDER OF REVOCATION

: DOCKET NO. NSC 02/99-09

At its meeting of February 25, 1999, the State Board of Examiners reviewed a Decision forwarded by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-3.6(a)1. That decision arose out of a tenure matter between Thomas Fox, who currently holds a Teacher of English certificate, and the Board of Education of the City of Orange. The board had certified tenure charges against Fox, a tenured English teacher, for incapacity by virtue of excessive absenteeism and unbecoming conduct. As a result of the litigation between them, Fox and the Orange School District have entered into a settlement agreement that includes the voluntary surrender of Fox's teaching certificate. In accord with the agreement, Fox forwarded to the State Department of Education the original of the certificate at issue.

In the agreement, Fox waived his right to a hearing pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-3.6 and acknowledged that the surrender of his certificate would have the force and effect of a revocation. The settlement agreement was reviewed at the February 25, 1999, State Board of Examiners' meeting.

Having confirmed that the certificate holder agreed to the revocation of his certificate, it is therefore, ORDERED, that Thomas Fox's Teacher of English certificate be revoked on this 25th day of February, 1999.

Secretary State Board of Examiners

Date of Mailing: March 15, 1999

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