

IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
THE CERTIFICATES OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
EDWARD CLARKE : ORDER OF SUSPENSION
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This matter was opened by the State Board of Examiners (Board) by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Edward Clarke as to why his teaching certificates should not be suspended pending disposition of criminal charges against him. Clarke currently holds a Teacher of Health and Physical Education Certificate of Eligibility With Advanced Standing, issued in December 2004 and a Teacher of Health and Physical Education certificate, issued in September 2006. After receiving the Order to Show Cause, by letter dated April 4, 2017, Clarke consented to the suspension of his certificates pending final disposition of the criminal matter. After reviewing Clarke's submission, the Board, at its meeting of May 12, 2017, voted to suspend Clarke's certificates.

Accordingly, on this 12th day of May 2017, Edward Clarke's Teacher of Health and Physical Education Certificate of Eligibility With Advanced Standing and Teacher of Health and Physical Education certificate are hereby **SUSPENDED** pending disposition of the criminal charges against him. The suspension shall take effect immediately. It is further **ORDERED** that Clarke return his certificates to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners, Office of Certification and Induction, PO Box 500, Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 within 30 days of the mailing date of this decision.

Robert R. Higgins, Secretary
State Board of Examiners

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Date of Mailing:
via certified and regular mail

Appeals may be made to the Commissioner of Education pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-38.4*.