

IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
THE CERTIFICATES OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS  
JUSTIN R. SOCCOL : ORDER OF SUSPENSION  
\_\_\_\_\_ : DOCKET NO. 1516-171

This matter was opened by the Board of Examiners (Board) by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Justin R. Soccol as to why his teaching certificates should not be revoked. Soccol currently holds Teacher of Health and Physical Education and Teacher of Driver Education Certificates of Eligibility With Advanced Standing, both issued in February 2009, Teacher of Health and Physical Education and Teacher of Driver Education certificates, both issued in January 2012 and a Supervisor certificate, issued in September 2014. After the teaching certification matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for hearing, Soccol presented a proposal to the Board in which he would agree to a 30 month suspension of his certificates. Soccol did not admit or concede the truth of the allegations in the Order to Show Cause. After reviewing the proposal, at its meeting of December 8, 2017, the Board voted to accept it. Accordingly, on this 8th day of December 2017, Justin R. Soccol's Teacher of Health and Physical Education and Teacher of Driver Education Certificates of Eligibility With Advanced Standing, and his Teacher of Health and Physical Education, Teacher of Driver Education, and Supervisor certificates are hereby SUSPENDED for 30 months, effective immediately. It is further ORDERED that Soccol return the above-mentioned certificates to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners, Office of Certification and Induction, P.O. Box 500, Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 within 30 days of the mailing date of the decision.

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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*.