IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

THE CERTIFICATE OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

GARY J. VITTA : ORDER OF SUSPENSION

\_\_\_\_\_\_ : DOCKET NO. 1415-180

This matter was opened by the Board of Examiners (Board) by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Gary Vitta as to why his teaching certificate should not be revoked. On January 15, 2015, Vitta pled guilty in federal court to Tampering with Witness, Victim or an Informant-Obstruction of Justice. On April 22, 2015, Vitta was sentenced to three years' probation, including one year of home confinement and fined \$10,000. Vitta currently holds a School Administrator certificate, issued in October 1986. After the teaching certification matter was scheduled for hearing, Vitta presented a proposal to the Board in which he would agree to a three-year suspension of his certificate. Vitta did not admit or concede the truth of the allegations in the Order to Show Cause. After reviewing the proposal, at its meeting of March 3, 2017, the Board voted to accept it. Accordingly, on this 3rd day of March 2017, Gary J. Vitta's School Administrator certificate is hereby SUSPENDED for three years, effective immediately. It is further ORDERED that Vitta return the above-mentioned certificate 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.

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.