

IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
THE CERTIFICATES OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
THOMAS ESSER : ORDER ACCEPTING RELINQUISHMENT
_____ : DOCKET NO. 2122-126

This matter was opened by the Board of Examiners (Board) by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Thomas Esser (Esser), on January 21, 2022, as to why his teaching certificates should not be revoked. Esser currently holds a Teacher of Health and Physical Education Certificate, issued October 1991; a Teacher of Driver Education Certificate, issued April 1992; a Teacher of Handicapped Certificate, issued February 2000; a Supervisor Certificate, issued August 2001; and a Principal Certificate of Eligibility, issued September 2007.

After the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing, Esser presented a proposal to the Board in which he would agree to the relinquishment of his certificates with the force and effect of a revocation and all attendant consequences in an affidavit to that effect to the Board. Esser did not admit or concede the truth of the allegations in the Order to Show Cause. After reviewing the proposal, at its meeting of June 25, 2026, the Board voted to accept Esser's relinquishment with the force and effect of a revocation pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-4.10*.

Accordingly, on this 25th day of June 2026, it is therefore ORDERED that Thomas Esser's Teacher of Health and Physical Education Certificate, Teacher of Driver Education Certificate, Teacher of Handicapped Certificate, Supervisor Certificate, and Principal Certificate of Eligibility are hereby RELINQUISHED, with the force and effect of a revocation, effective

immediately. It is further ORDERED that Esser return the above-mentioned paper certificates, if issued, 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.



Kimberly A. Gatti, Acting Secretary
State Board of Examiners

Date of Mailing:
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Appeals may be made to the Commissioner of Education pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.A.C.* 6A:4- 1.3(b).