33-18SEC (SEC Decision: <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/education/legal/ethics/training/T12-17.pdf">http://www.state.nj.us/education/legal/ethics/training/T12-17.pdf</a>)

AGENCY DKT. NO. 297-12/17

IN THE MATTER OF KHAATIM SHERRE EL, :

MARION P. THOMAS CHARTER SCHOOL. : COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

ESSEX COUNTY. : DECISION

:

The Commissioner has reviewed the record of this matter and the decision of the School

Ethics Commission (SEC), finding that respondent violated the School Ethics Act (SEA) for failure

to timely complete the Governance 1 training program by June 30, 201 - in accordance with

N.J.S.A. 18A:12-33, N.J.A.C. 6A:28-4.1, and N.J.A.C. 6A:11-3.1(a). The SEC's decision was forwarded

to the Commissioner for final determination on the recommended penalty pursuant to

N.J.S.A. 18A:12-29(c). The SEC advises that as of the date of its decision, respondent had not completed

the training as directed. Respondent has neither filed exceptions to the recommended penalty nor instituted

an appeal of the SEC's underlying finding of violation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:4-1 et seq.

Upon review, the Commissioner concurs with the penalty recommended by the SEC for

respondent's failure to timely honor an obligation placed upon charter school trustees by law. Additionally,

respondent is admonished for causing the unnecessary expenditure of administrative and adjudicative

resources at both State and local levels.

Accordingly, respondent is hereby suspended for 30 days as a school official found to have

violated the SEA, effective from the date of this decision. If respondent fails to complete training during

the 30-day suspension period, he shall be removed from office on the 31st day.

IT IS SO ORDERED.<sup>1</sup>

**ACTING COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION** 

Date of Decision:

February 12, 2018

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February 12, 2018

<sup>1</sup> This decision may be appealed to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court pursuant to P.L. 2008, c. 36

(N.J.S.A. 18A:6-9.1).