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AGENCY DKT. NO. 216-7/08

IN THE MATTER OF MARGARET HINTZ,

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE : COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL, : DECISION

SOMERSET COUNTY. :

The record of this matter and the decision of the School Ethics Commission, forwarded to the Commissioner pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-29 for final determination on the Commission's recommended penalty, have been reviewed. Respondent did not file exceptions, nor was the Commission's underlying finding of violation appealed to the Commissioner pursuant to

N.J.A.C. 6A:4.

Upon review, the Commissioner concurs with the penalty recommended by the Commission and additionally admonishes respondent for failing to honor an obligation placed upon board members and charter school trustees by law, since such failure has resulted in unnecessary expenditure of administrative and adjudicative resources at both State and local levels.

Accordingly, the above-named respondent is hereby removed from office, as of the filing date of this decision, as a school official found to have violated the School Ethics Act.

IT IS SO ORDERED. *

ACTING COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Date of Decision: September 11, 2008

Date of Mailing: September 12, 2008

* This decision may be appealed to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court pursuant to *P.L.* 2008, *c.* 36.