IN THE MATTER OF THE TEACHING CERTIFICATE OF JANICE JONES

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS AGENCY DOCKET NO. 0708-269 DECISION

This matter was opened by the Board of Examiners by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Janice Jones as to why her Teacher of the Handicapped certificate should not be suspended for a period of two years. The Order alleged that Jones was involved in an attempt to defraud the Camden Board of Education by seeking to receive payment for attendance at School Leadership Council meetings that never occurred and then covering up the facts during the district's investigation by filing fabricated documents and giving false information. After receiving the Order to Show Cause, Jones presented a settlement proposal to the Board seeking a two year suspension of her certificate, retroactive to July 5, 2007, the date of the Commissioner's decision removing her from her tenured position. After reviewing the settlement proposal, at its meeting of September 11, 2008, the Board of Examiners voted to accept the proposal.* Accordingly, on the 11th day of September 2008, Janice Jones' Teacher of the Handicapped certificate, issued in March 1988, is hereby suspended for a period of two years beginning on July 5, 2007.

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Robert R. Higgins, Secretary State Board of Examiners

*Decision ratified on January 13, 2009 Date of Decision: October 16, 2008 Date of Mailing: