IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

THE CERTIFICATE OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

FATIMA GRUPICO : ORDER OF REVOCATION

: DOCKET NO. 1415-264

At its meeting of September 16, 2016, the New Jersey State Board of Examiners (Board) reviewed an affidavit that the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office had submitted regarding Fatima Grupico. On April 25, 2016, Grupico pled guilty to Endangering the Welfare of a Child-Sexual Contact (3rd degree). Grupico was sentenced to three years' probation, fined and ordered to relinquish her teaching certificate. Grupico currently holds a Teacher of Social Studies Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing, issued in June 2013.

Grupico agreed to relinquish her certificate with the force and effect of a revocation and all attendant consequences in her affidavit to that effect to the Board. At its meeting of September 16, 2016, the Board voted to accept Grupico's relinquishment with the force and effect of a revocation pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9B-4.7.

Accordingly, on this 16th day of September 2016 it is therefore ORDERED that Fatima Grupico's Teacher of Social Studies Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing be revoked effective immediately.

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 the provisions of *N.J.A.C.* 6A:4-1.3(b).