COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,	:	
Petitioner,	:	
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v.	:	**PSPC DOCKET NO. DI-08-49**
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JASON L. ISBELL,	:	
Respondent.	:	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Professional Standards and Practices Commission ("Commission") upon the Department of Education's ("Department") August 18, 2009, Motion for Entry of Order, which seeks acknowledgment of the Respondent's surrender of his professional educator certification and requests dismissal of the instant disciplinary action.

On December 8, 2008, the Department filed a Notice of Charges seeking an immediate suspension of Respondent's Instructional I teaching certificate in the area of Social Studies under 24 P.S. §2070.9b(1). Section 9b(1) provides for the immediate suspension of the certification of a professional educator who is indicted for a crime set forth in section 111(e)(1) through (3)[1] of the Public School Code of 1949 when the Commission determines that the professional educator poses a threat to the health, safety or welfare of a student or other individual in a school. On February 24, 2009, the Commission entered an order immediately suspending the Respondent's certification.

1 The Respondent was charged with two counts of Indecent Assault (18 Pa.C.S. §3126(a)(8)), four counts of Corruption of Minors (18 Pa.C.S. §6301(a)(1)) and two counts of Involuntary Deviate Sexual Intercourse (18 Pa.C.S. §3123(a)(7)).

Subsequent to the immediate suspension, the Respondent agreed to relinquish his Pennsylvania professional educator certification. In consideration of the Department's Motion for Entry of Order and the Respondent's Affidavit of Surrender, the Commission has decided to grant the Motion and, accordingly, enters the following:

ORDER

AND NOW, this __27th___ day of October, 2009, upon consideration of the Motion for Entry of Order filed by the Department of Education, it is hereby ORDERED that the Motion for Entry of Order is GRANTED and the professional educator certification of Respondent Jason L. Isbell is declared SURRENDERED IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINE.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND
PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: _____
Gilbert R .Griffiths
Chairperson

Attest: _____
Carolyn Angelo
Executive Director

Date Mailed: