

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
Petitioner,**

v.

**JASON ADAMS,
Respondent.**

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PSPC DOCKET NO. DI-08-55

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Professional Standards and Practices Commission (“Commission”) upon the Department of Education’s (“Department”) 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 29, 2008, the Department filed a Notice of Charges seeking discipline against Respondent’s Pennsylvania teaching certificate on the grounds of immorality, negligence, intemperance and violations of the Code of Professional Practice and Conduct. Specifically, the Department alleged that Respondent, who was employed by the Williamsport Area School District, had entered into a sexual and romantic relationship with a 17 year-old female student.

In response to the Notice of Charges, Respondent agreed to relinquish his Pennsylvania Instructional II teaching certificate in the area of Health and Physical Education and his rights to any other Pennsylvania teaching certificates that may have been issued to him. In consideration of the Department's Motion for Entry of Order, filed on March 13, 2009, and the Respondent's Affidavit of Surrender, the Commission has decided to grant the Motion and, accordingly, enters the following:

ORDER

AND NOW, this __30th__ day of June, 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 Adams is declared SURRENDERED IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINE.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND
PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: _____
Gilbert R. Griffiths
Chairperson

Attest: _____
Carolyn Angelo
Executive Director

Date Mailed: