

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

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,  
Petitioner,**

**v.**

**CARY GILL,  
Respondent.**

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**PSPC DOCKET NO. DI-25-023**

**ORDER ACCEPTING SURRENDER**

This matter is before the Professional Standards and Practices Commission (“Commission”) on the Department of Education’s (“Department”) Motion for Entry of Order. The Motion requests that the Commission accept the surrender of the certificate and employment eligibility of Cary Gill (“Respondent”) in resolution of an educator misconduct complaint filed against him. The Motion was presented to the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on March 17, 2025. After careful consideration, the Commission enters this Order accepting Respondent’s surrender.

**Background**

Respondent currently holds an Instructional I teaching certificate in the area of Elementary K-6. On January 14, 2025, an educator misconduct complaint was filed with the Department alleging that Respondent’s West Virginia teaching certificate was revoked due to Respondent pleading guilty to Possession of Controlled Substance as a result of Respondent being captured on video removing medication at two different times from the secured medicine cabinet at Blue Ridge Elementary School in Jefferson County, West Virginia.

On February 19, 2025, Respondent signed an Affidavit agreeing to surrender his certificate and employment eligibility. (Motion for Entry of Order, Ex. 1.) On February 28, 2025, the Department filed a Motion for Entry of Order requesting that the Commission accept Respondent’s

surrender in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. On March 10, 2025, the Commission received a letter from Respondent in which he acknowledges and apologizes for his actions.

#### Surrender

Pursuant to the Act, surrender shall mean the termination by consent of a certificate or employment eligibility. 24 P.S. § 2070.1b. Surrender of a certificate or employment eligibility constitutes discipline. Id. The Act authorizes the Commission to accept the surrender of Respondent's certificate and employment eligibility.

#### Order

AND NOW, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025, upon consideration of the Department's Motion for Entry of Order, it is hereby Ordered:

1. The Motion is granted, and the Commission accepts the surrender of Respondent's certificate and eligibility to be employed as a charter or cyber charter school staff member or contracted educational provider staff member.
2. Respondent's certificate and eligibility to be employed as a charter or cyber charter school staff member or contracted educational provider staff member are, therefore, terminated effective on the date of this Order.
3. The acceptance by the Commission of the surrender of Respondent's certificate and employment eligibility shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent.
4. Respondent is not eligible to be employed in a school entity in a position requiring certification or as a charter or cyber charter school staff member or contracted educational provider staff member, or eligible for any certificate, until his certificate and employment eligibility are reinstated in accordance with the Act.

5. The educator misconduct complaint filed against Respondent is resolved.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND  
PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: 

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Myron Yoder  
Chairperson Pro Tempore

Attest:   
Amber Lee Czerniakowski  
Executive Director

Date Mailed: March 26, 2025