

EDU #2953-07
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SB # 3-08

IN THE MATTER OF THE TENURE :
HEARING OF ANDREW GALL, STATE : STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF : DECISION
HUMAN SERVICES, NEW LISBON :
DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER. :

Decided by the Commissioner of Education, December 26, 2007

For the Petitioner-Respondent Commissioner of Education and
Department of Human Services, Laurie P. Manus, Deputy Attorney
General (Anne Milgram, Attorney General of New Jersey)

For the Respondent-Appellant Weissman & Mintz (Rosemarie
Cipparulo, Esq.)

The decision of the Commissioner of Education is affirmed for the reasons stated therein. In so ruling, the State Board echoes the Commissioner's expression of regret in having to issue such a harsh penalty in light of Appellant's satisfactory employment history spanning 41 years. However, the Respondent's policy plainly mandates termination for any act of violence against a client. Accordingly, the State Board is likewise constrained and upholds the Commissioner's determination.

Florence McGinn did not participate in the vote. Kathleen Dietz and Debra Casha opposed.

June 18, 2008

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