

IN THE MATTER OF THE
TEACHING CERTIFICATE
OF JENNA BERKOWITZ

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STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
AGENCY DOCKET NO. 0405-120

DECISION

This matter was opened by the Board of Examiners by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Jenna Berkowitz as to why her Teacher of the Handicapped certificate should not be revoked or suspended. The Order to Show Cause was based on conduct substantiated in a Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS) investigation. DYFS substantiated allegations of physical abuse against Berkowitz regarding her actions toward two students. After the certification matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for hearing, Berkowitz presented a settlement proposal to the Board seeking a one year suspension of her certificate, effective July 1, 2009. After reviewing the settlement proposal, at its meeting of May 11, 2009, the Board of Examiners voted to accept the proposal. Accordingly, on this 11th day of May 2009, Jenna Berkowitz' Teacher of the Handicapped certificate, issued in July 1999, is hereby suspended for a period of one year beginning on July 1, 2009.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Robert R. Higgins, Secretary
State Board of Examiners

Date of Decision: May 11, 2009

Date of Mailing: