

IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
THE CERTIFICATES OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS  
HENRY COLUMNA : ORDER ACCEPTING RELINQUISHMENT  
\_\_\_\_\_ : DOCKET NO. 2526-177

At its meeting of May 21, 2026, the New Jersey State Board of Examiners (Board) reviewed an affidavit it received from Sherry T. Stembridge, Supervising Assistant Prosecutor – SVU with the Essex County Prosecutor’s Office, regarding Henry Columna. Columna currently holds a Teacher of Spanish Certificate of Eligibility, issued August 2013, and a Standard Teacher of Spanish certificate, issued July 2017.

Columna agreed to relinquish his credential with the force and effect of a revocation and all attendant consequences in his affidavit to that effect to the Board. At its meeting of May 21, 2026, the Board voted to accept Columna’s relinquishment with the force and effect of a revocation pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-4.10*.

Accordingly, on this 21st day of May 2026, it is therefore ORDERED that Henry Columna’s Teacher of Spanish Certificate of Eligibility and Standard Teacher of Spanish certificate are hereby ORDERED RELINQUISHED, with the force and effect of a revocation, effective immediately. It is further ORDERED that Columna return the above-mentioned paper certificate, if issued, to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners, Office of Certification and Induction, P.O. Box 500, Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 within 30 days of the mailing date of the decision.



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Kimberly A. Gatti, Acting Secretary  
State Board of Examiners

**Date of Mailing: May 29, 2026**  
**via email, certified and regular mail**

Appeals may be made to the Commissioner of Education pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.A.C. 6A:4- 1.3(b)*.