

**BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

In the Matter of the Discipline )  
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of the Educator Certificate of )  
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Jarrard Ne'valle Coleman, )  
 )  
Certificate 192964 )

**CONSENT ORDER OF  
PUBLIC REPRIMAND**

**SUMMARY OF THE CASE**

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on November 14, 2017. On September 8, 2016, and on September 12, 2016, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) sent Jarrard Ne'valle Coleman notices informing him that the State Board would meet to determine possible disciplinary action of his educator certificate, by regular and certified mail, return receipt requested, delivery restricted to addressee. Mr. Coleman received the notice on September 28, 2016 as evidenced by the United States Postal Office confirmation. Mr. Coleman contacted the SCDE and has agreed to waive his right to a hearing and enter into this Consent Order of Public Reprimand. After considering the information presented by the SCDE, the State Board voted to issue a public reprimand to Mr. Coleman and approve this Order of Public Reprimand.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

Mr. Coleman holds a valid South Carolina professional educator certificate and more than seventeen years of teaching experience. He has no prior record of disciplinary action with the State Board. Mr. Coleman was employed by the Charleston County School District (District) as a band teacher at Northwoods Middle School (School) for the 2015-2016 school year.

On March 24, 2016, the District notified the SCDE that Mr. Coleman had been terminated from the District based on their determination that he used inappropriate physical force against a student during a September 30, 2015 incident. Mr. Coleman subsequently appealed the determination and the District School Board upheld Mr. Coleman's termination on March 24, 2016. Mr. Coleman's dismissal was based on allegations that, in response to an unruly student in the classroom, he took the mouthpiece to the student's instrument. Mr. Coleman then ordered the student to leave his classroom.

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When the student failed to follow his directive, and following a verbal/physical exchange (the student initiated with two other students), Mr. Coleman physically escorted him out of the classroom.

Mr. Coleman's personnel file provided in response to subpoena revealed a previous disciplinary appeal to the District Board. Ultimately, the previous matter was dismissed by the District Board following an appeal hearing, which has no bearing on this matter. Mr. Coleman has also submitted letters of recommendation from witnesses and educator professionals for the State Board to consider. After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to publicly reprimand Mr. Coleman and approve this Order of Public Reprimand.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

"The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (2016); The State Board may, for just cause, issue a public reprimand. 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58 (2016). Just cause includes unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-2-160 (2016). The State Board finds that the evidence presented supports its conclusion that just cause does not exist to suspend or revoke the educator certificate of Jarrard Ne'valle Coleman and that the issuance of a Public Reprimand to Mr. Coleman by the State Board is an appropriate sanction in this matter. The State Board finds that the record outlined above demonstrates that Mr. Coleman engaged in unprofessional conduct by using inappropriate force with a student.

Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered that a Public Reprimand is issued to Jarrard Ne'valle Coleman, certificate 192964. The public reprimand of Mr. Coleman, certificate 192964, shall be reported to the NASDTEC Clearinghouse and all South Carolina school districts within thirty days from the date of this order.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

(signature page attached)

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South Carolina State Board of Education

  
Ivan Randolph, Ph.D., Chair

Columbia, South Carolina  
November 14, 2017

I, Jarrard Ne'Valle Coleman, S.C. Educator Certificate 192964, understand there has been an investigation concerning alleged violations of the laws and regulations governing the practice of educator certificate holders and that I have waived my right to a hearing in this matter. I understand that the terms set forth in this Consent Order of Public Reprimand are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review. I have read the Consent Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of three pages, and I freely and voluntarily agree to the terms set forth therein. I understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the South Carolina State Board of Education for approval on Tuesday, November 14, 2017.

  
Jarrard Ne'Valle Coleman

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