

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

IN THE MATTER OF:)
) **License No. 186182**
PATRICIA THOMAS)

AGREED ORDER

The parties to this action submit this Agreed Order and state as follows:

1. Respondent Patricia Thomas is licensed by the Board as a teacher in the State of Tennessee.

2. In November, 2015, Ms. Thomas retired from Sevier County School System after taking a state writing assessment using a student ticket.

3. Furthermore, Respondent suffers from a documented medical condition that may affect her judgment.

4. The above referenced conduct may have been a result of Respondent's condition.

5. In recognition of the difficulties her condition may place on her employment, Ms. Thomas has elected to permanently surrender her educator's license in Tennessee.

6. As a condition of the surrender, Ms. Thomas has agreed that she will not serve as a volunteer or be employed, directly or indirectly, as an educator, paraprofessional, aide, substitute teacher, or in any other position in a public school in the State of Tennessee. Respondent agrees not apply for reinstatement.

Based on Ms. Thomas's voluntary surrender of her Tennessee teaching license, this matter is DISMISSED.

ORDERED this 29th day of January, 2016.

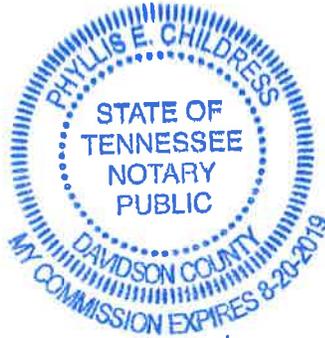
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BY: B. Fielding Rolston
B. Fielding Rolston, Chair

ATTEST: Dr. Sara Heyburn
Dr. Sara Heyburn, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of Feb., 2016.

Phyllis E. Childress
NOTARY PUBLIC



APPROVED FOR ENTRY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of this AGREED ORDER is being sent via email and U.S. mail, to James Tipton, Jr., Riverview Tower, Suite 2300, 900 South Gay Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. The original is being filed with the Tennessee State Board of Education, 1st Floor, Andrew Johnson Tower, 710 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee 37243.

This the 8th day of February, 2016.



Philip Cramer