#### BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Teaching License of William Maderos-Treaster Case No. 15-PPC-23

#### FINAL ORDER

NOW, on this 11th day of August, 2015, the above-captioned matter comes for consideration by the Kansas State Board of Education (Board) in the matter of William Maderos-Treaster's professional license. Appearing for the Board are Chairman, Jim McNiece, and members, John Bacon, Kathy Busch, Carolyn Wims-Campbell, Sally Cauble, Deena Horst, Jim Porter, Steve Roberts, Janet Waugh, and Ken Willard.

WHEREUPON, an evidentiary hearing was held before the Professional Practices Commission (Commission) and such hearing was conducted on June 15, 2015.

WHEREUPON the Board reviewed the Commission's Initial Order, Mr. Maderos-Treaster's Brief in Response to Initial Order, the Kansas State Department of Education's Response to Mr. Maderos-Treaster's Brief, and all evidence and testimony admitted during the evidentiary hearing, and after considering the presentation by Linda Sieck, Chairman of the Commission, who was available to answer the Board's questions and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Board adopted the Commission's findings of fact and conclusions of law by a vote of 10 - 0.

All findings set forth in the Commission's Initial Order attached hereto are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Final Order as though fully set forth at length herein.

IT IS THEREFORE CONCLUDED by the Kansas State Board of Education that William Maderos-Treaster's professional teaching license is suspended until February 23, 2017.

This Final Order is made and entered this 11th day of August, 2015.

Kansas State Board of Education

Y: Jim McNiece, Chairman

Signed August 28, 2015

## **NOTICE TO LICENSEE**

You may request a reconsideration of the above Order. To do so, you must file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Secretary to the State Board of Education, at the address stated below, within 15 days after service of this Final Order. The Petition must state the specific grounds upon which relief is requested.

The filing of a Petition for Reconsideration is not a prerequisite for seeking judicial review.

Peggy Hill Secretary, KSBE Landon State Office Building 900 SW Jackson Ave. Suite 600N Topeka, Kansas 66612

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 28th day of August, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

William Maderos-Treaster 218 W. 12th Street Horton, Kansas 66436

and

Sandra Jacquot 611 Jones Street Lecompton, Kansas 66050

And via interoffice mail to:

Kelli M. Broers Attorney, Kansas State Department of Education Landon State Office Building 900 SW Jackson Ave., Suite 102 Topeka, Kansas 66612

Peggy Hill, Secretary

Kansas State Board of Education

# BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Teaching License of William Maderos-Treaster Case No. 15-PPC-23

#### INITIAL ORDER

The above-captioned case comes on for hearing before the Professional Practices Commission (Commission) of the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) in the matter of William Maderos-Treaster's teaching license.

The hearing on this matter convened on June 15, 2015. Appearing for the Commission were chairperson, Calin Kendall, and members, Dorsey Burgess, Tavis Desormiers, Kimberly Groom, Bradley Nicks, Linda Sieck, and Jessica Snider.

Kelli Broers appeared as counsel for KSDE.

William Maderos-Treaster appeared in person.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Mr. Maderos-Treaster has been continuously licensed to teach since February 6, 2012.
- 2. On September 25, 2014, Mr. Maderos-Treaster was subject to a traffic stop in Douglas County, Kansas. Upon making contact with the vehicle, the deputy smelled a strong odor of burnt marijuana. A search of the vehicle revealed a small amount of a leafy green substance in the center of the dashboard, three partially smoked marijuana joints, three sandwich-sized plastic baggies containing a green leafy substance, rolling papers, and digital scales.
- 3. On October 9, 2014, Mr. Maderos-Treaster was charged with Unlawful Possession of Controlled Substances, in violation of K.S.A. 21-5706(b)(3), and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, in violation of K.S.A. 21-5709-(b)(2), in the District Court of Douglas County, Kansas Case No. 2014-CR-000815. Both charges were misdemeanors.
- 4. On February 23, 2015, Mr. Maderos-Treaster entered into a diversion agreement the term of which was 12 months.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISCUSSION

- 1. Any license issued by the State Board may be suspended by the State Board for misconduct or other just cause including entry into a diversion agreement after having been charged with a misdemeanor for drug-related conduct. K.A.R. 91-22-1a(a)(4)&(11).
- 2. Educators, as licensed professionals, are held to a higher standard. Educators are in a position of public trust and are role models not only for the students but for the community.

- 3. As a teacher, Mr. Maderos-Treaster held a position of trust within the school community and was viewed as a role model for the students and the community. He breached that trust.
- 4. Mr. Maderos-Treaster's misconduct has rendered him unfit to teach.

THEREFORE the Professional Practices Commission concludes and recommends, by a vote of 7 – 0 and subject to the State Board's review, that Mr. Maderos-Treaster's misconduct is grounds for suspension of his teaching license until February 23, 2017; additionally, prior to being granted any subsequent license, Mr. Maderos-Treaster must appear before the Commission.

This Initial Order is made and entered this June 15, 2015.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Calin Kendali, Chairman

Order signed on Auly 10, 2015

#### NOTICE TO LICENSEE

This Order of the Professional Practices Commission is not a Final Order and is required to be reviewed by the State Board in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act.

You may submit to the State Board for its consideration as part of its review of the Initial Order, a written brief citing legal authority as to why the above recommendation should not be accepted. The legal brief must be filed with the Secretary of the Professional Practices Commission at the address indicated below within ten days after service of the Initial Order for transmittal to the State Board.

Theresa Coté
Secretary, Professional Practices Commission
Kansas State Department of Education
900 SW Jackson St.
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1182

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of July, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was filed with the Secretary for the Kansas State Board of Education and one (1) copy was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

William Maderos-Treaster 218 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street Horton, Kansas 66436

And via interoffice mail to:

Kelli M. Broers, Attorney Kansas State Department of Education 900 S.W. Jackson Street Topeka, Kansas 66612

Theresa Coté

Secretary, Professional Practices Commission