

BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Application for
Teaching License Submitted
by Cindy Benitez

Case No. 14-PPC-24

FINAL ORDER

NOW, on this 9th day of December, 2014, the above-captioned matter comes on for consideration by the Kansas State Board of Education (Board) upon the application of Cindy Benitez for an Emergency Substitute License.

WHEREUPON, a full evidentiary hearing was held before the Professional Practices Commission (Commission) and such hearing was conducted on November 17, 2014;

WHEREUPON, the Board reviewed the Initial Order of the Commission and after considering the presentation by Calin Kendall, Chairman of the Professional Practices Commission, who was available to answer the Board's questions and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, by way of adopting the findings of the Professional Practices Commission finds and concludes as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Cindy Benetiz has applied for an Emergency Substitute License.
2. Ms. Benetiz was arrested on November 1, 2012 for disorderly conduct and on November 5, 2012 for permitting loud noise and unlawfully hosting of minors consuming alcohol.
3. Ms. Benetiz was placed on six (6) months diversion.
4. Ms. Benetiz did not disclose being place on diversion on her application.

CONCLUSIONS

1. The Board does not believe the applicant has clearly demonstrated a present recognition of her wrongfulness of her conduct and has not expressed remorse for her conduct.
2. The applicant has not provided evidence that she has successfully completed diversion.
3. The Board finds, by a unanimous vote, it is not appropriate to grant Ms. Benitez' request for an Emergency Substitute License.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the State Board of Education, that Cindy Benitez' application for an Emergency Substitute License be denied.

This Final Order is made December 9, 2014 and signed 13th day of January, 2015.

Kansas State Board of Education


BY: Jim McNiece, Chairman

NOTICE TO APPLICANT

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.

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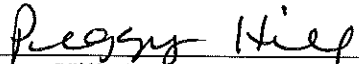
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 13th day of January, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Final Order was deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage paid, addressed to:

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And via interoffice mail to:

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Peggy Hill, Secretary
Kansas State Board of Education