

IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
THE CERTIFICATES OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
ADAM AQUILINA : ORDER OF REVOCATION
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This matter was opened by the Board of Examiners by way of an Order to Show Cause issued to Adam Aquilina as to why his teaching certificates should not be revoked. Aquilina currently holds a Teacher of Carpentry Certificate of Eligibility, issued in January 1994, a Teacher of Cabinet Making Certificate of Eligibility, issued in December 1996 and Teacher of Carpentry and Teacher of Cabinet Making certificates, both issued in July 1998. The Order to Show Cause was based on conduct alleged in tenure charges certified by the Elizabeth Board of Education. The Elizabeth Board of Education alleged that Aquilina had engaged in an inappropriate, intimate relationship with a student, had nurtured inappropriate relationships with students, had provided transportation to students in his personal vehicle and spent time alone with female students in a locked classroom. After the teaching certification matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for hearing, Aquilina presented a settlement proposal to the Board in which he would relinquish his certificates with the force and effect of a revocation and all attendant consequences pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:9-17.8*. After reviewing the settlement proposal, at its meeting of May 12, 2011, the Board of Examiners voted to accept the proposal. Accordingly, on this 12th day of May 2011, Adam Aquilina's Teacher of Carpentry and Teacher of Cabinet Making Certificates of Eligibility, and his Teacher of Carpentry and Teacher of Cabinet Making certificates are hereby revoked effective immediately.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Robert R. Higgins, Secretary
State Board of Examiners

Date of Decision:

Date of Mailing: