

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
Petitioner,**

v.

**MARY MAXSON,
Respondent.**

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PSPC DOCKET NO. DI-00-09

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Professional Standards and Practices Commission (“Commission”) upon the Department of Education’s (“Department”) Motion for Entry of Order, which seeks implementation of the Settlement Agreement entered into by the Department and the Respondent.

The Department initiated disciplinary proceedings against Respondent with the filing of a Notice of Charges on or about March 20, 2000. In the Notice of Charge, the Department sought discipline against Respondent’s Instructional I teaching certificate endorsed in the area of Library Science on the grounds of immorality, and violation of the Act of May 29, 1931 and the Code of Conduct. Specifically, the Department alleged that the Respondent fabricated an Instructional II teaching certificate endorsed in the area of Special Education. Subsequent to Respondent’s Answer to the Notice of Charges, the parties entered into a Settlement Agreement whereby Respondent agrees to accept a Public Reprimand as discipline for her misconduct. The Department urges the Commission to accept the Settlement Agreement.

After careful consideration of the mitigating factors in this case, the Department’s

Motion for Entry of Order and the Settlement Agreement, the Commission has decided to grant the Motion and, accordingly, enters the following:

ORDER

AND NOW, this 4th day of April, 2001, upon consideration of the Motion for Entry of Order filed by the Department of Education, it is hereby ORDERED that the Motion for Entry of Order is GRANTED and that the Department is DIRECTED to issue Respondent Mary Maxson a PUBLIC REPRIMAND.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND
PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: _____
Richard D. Hupper
Chairperson

Attest: _____
Carolyn Angelo
Executive Director

Date Mailed: