# Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development Central High School Senator Grey Ferris Boardroom 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201 August 27, 2025

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-3-2(10) and 25-41-5, a subcommittee of the members of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development ("Commission") met at 9:00 a.m. on August 27, 2025, in Senator Grey Ferris Board Room 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Members in Attendance:

Jamie Creel, William Murphy, Dr. Bernell Kelly

Commission Counsel:

Jonathan Dennis, Special Assistant Attorney General

**OEM Counsel:** 

Joseph Runnels, Esq.

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending: Tilla Tate, Investigator for the Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM) Scott DeJong, Director for the OEM

Others in Attendance: Lisa Pike, Court Reporter Jason Quaregna, Educator Corlos Sullivan, Educator Dalvia Mitchell, Educator

Matters before the Subcommittee:

#### I. Agreed Orders

Scott Dejong, Director for the OEM, presented the following Agreed Orders to the commission subcommittee for consideration:

A. Jonathan Comer, Educator License Number 323597, Standard 4

Jamie Creel moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee approve the Agreed Orders presented by the OEM. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee voted unanimously to approve the Agreed Orders.

## II. Case of Jason Quaregna, Educator License Application No. 416710

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:40 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Dr. Bernell Kelly made a motion to go into closed session. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session. Dr. Bernell Kelly made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of deliberations and findings concerning the Educator license at issue in the present case. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following people remained in the room: Dr. Bernell Kelly, William Murphy, Jamie Creel, and Jonathan Dennis.

During Executive Session, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee took the following action:

Dr. Bernell Kelly moved that the Commission hearing Subcommittee approve the processing of Educator License Application No. 416710 for Jason Quaregna. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to approve the processing of Respondent's license application.

On a motion by Dr. Bernell Kelly, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

In open session, counsel for the Commission read the decision of the Commission Hearing Subcommittee to the participants.

This matter was concluded at 10:22 a.m.

# III. Case of Corlos Sullivan, Educator License Application No. 418743

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 10:28 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Dr. Bernell Kelly made a motion to go into closed session. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session. Dr. Bernell Kelly made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of deliberations and findings concerning the Educator license at issue in the present case. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following people remained in the room: Dr. Bernell Kelly, William Murphy, Jamie Creel, and Jonathan Dennis.

During Executive Session, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee took the following action:

Dr. Bernell Kelly moved that the Commission hearing Subcommittee approve the processing of Educator License Application No. 418743 for Corlos Sullivan. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to approve the processing of Respondent's license application.

On a motion by Dr. Bernell Kelly, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

In open session, counsel for the Commission read the decision of the Commission Hearing Subcommittee to the participants.

This matter was concluded at 11:07 a.m.

#### IV. Case of Dalvia Mitchell, Educator License No. 185345

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 11:10 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Dr. Bernell Kelly made a motion to go into closed session. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session. Dr. Bernell Kelly made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of deliberations and findings concerning the Educator license at issue in the present case. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following people remained in the room: Dr. Bernell Kelly, William Murphy, Jamie Creel, and Jonathan Dennis.

During Executive Session, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee took the following action:

Dr. Bernell Kelly moved that the Commission hearing Subcommittee deny the request for reinstatement of Dalvia Mitchell, Educator License No. 185345. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to deny the request for reinstatement of Respondent's license.

On a motion by Dr. Bernell Kelly, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

In open session, counsel for the Commission read the decision of the Commission Hearing Subcommittee to the participants.

This matter was concluded at 12:14 p.m.

### V. Adjournment.

On a motion by Dr. Bernell Kelly, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to adjourn for the day at 12:15 p.m.

Approved:

Jamie Creel, Subcommittee Chair

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Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and

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