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May 22, 2018

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The Desoto Building
1230 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3060

Re: Escambia County School Board vs. Deborah Peterson; DOAH Case No. 17-5600

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed please find the fully executed Final Order in the above referenced case which was adopted by the Escambia County School Board on May 15, 2018. Also enclosed is a copy of the Respondent's Exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



Sharon B. Goshorn, Agency Clerk
Escambia County, Florida School District

SBG/
Enclosures

cc: R. Bruce McKibben, Administrative Law Judge *w/encl.*
Donna Sessions Waters, Esq. General Counsel for School Board *via e-mail w/encl.*
Malcolm Thomas, Superintendent *via e-mail w/encl.*
Gerald W. Boone, Board Chair *via e-mail w/encl.*

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**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**ESCAMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD,
Petitioner,**

vs.

DOAH CASE NO. 17-5600

**DEBORAH PETERSON,
Respondent.**

FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE having come before the School Board of Escambia County, Florida at its regular meeting on May 15, 2018, to consider the Recommended Order of Administrative Law Judge R. Bruce McKibben dated March 1, 2017 ("Recommended Order"), along with Respondent's timely filed Exceptions to the Recommended Order With Incorporated Memorandum of Law ("Respondent's Exceptions").

The School Board of Escambia County, Florida having reviewed the Recommended Order and the Respondent's Exceptions thereto; and being fully advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

1. Pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, the Recommended Order of the Administrative Law Judge containing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation is hereby adopted in its entirety by the School Board of Escambia County, Florida and is incorporated into this Final Order by reference.

2. The following action is taken as to the Respondent's Exceptions as set forth in numbered paragraphs of Part IV – Bases for Exceptions.

1. Exception as to Paragraph 1: Rejected.
2. Exception as to Paragraph 2: Rejected.
3. Exception as to Paragraph 3: Rejected.
4. Exception as to Paragraph 4: Rejected.

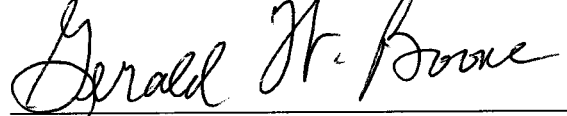
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5. Exception as to Paragraph 5: Rejected.
6. Exception as to Paragraph 6: Rejected.
7. Exception as to Paragraph 7: Rejected.
8. Exception as to Paragraph 9: Rejected.
9. Exception as to Paragraph 10: Rejected.
10. Exception as to Paragraph 11: Rejected.
11. Exception as to Paragraph 14: Rejected.
12. Exception as to Paragraph 15: Rejected.
13. Exception as to Paragraph 16: Rejected.
14. Exception as to Paragraph 17: Rejected.
15. Exception as to Paragraph 18: Rejected.
16. Exception as to Paragraph 19: Rejected.
17. Exception as to Paragraph 20: Rejected.
18. Exception as to Paragraph 21: Rejected.
19. Exception as to Paragraph 22: Rejected.
20. Exception as to Paragraph 23: Rejected.
21. Exception as to Paragraph 24: Rejected.
22. Exception as to Paragraph 25: Rejected.
23. Exception as to Paragraph 26: Rejected.
24. Exception as to Paragraph 27: Rejected.
25. Exception as to Recommendation: Rejected.

3. The School Board of Escambia County, Florida hereby enters this Final Order upholding the decision to suspend Respondent without pay.

DONE AND ORDERED this 15th day of May, 2018.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD




Gerald W. Boone, Chair

APPROVED
ESCAMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

MAY 15 2018

MALCOLM THOMAS, SUPERINTENDENT
VERIFIED BY RECORDING SECRETARY

Attest: 
Malcolm Thomas, Superintendent

*Filed with the Agency Clerk of the Escambia
County School District on May 18, 2018.*



Sharon B. Goshorn, Agency Clerk

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

This Final Order constitutes final agency action. Pursuant to § 120.68, F.S., a party to this proceeding may seek judicial review of this Final Order by filing a Notice of Appeal with Sharon B. Goshorn, Agency Clerk, Escambia County School District, 75 North Pace Blvd, Pensacola, FL 32505 within 30 days of the date of this Final Order. A copy of the Notice of Appeal, together with the appropriate filing fee, must also be filed with the Clerk of the First District Court of Appeal within 30 days of the date of this Final Order. Failure to file the necessary Notices of Appeal will result in loss of the right to appeal this Final Order.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished


by electronic or U.S. Mail this 22nd day of May, 2018 to:

R. Bruce McKibben, Administrative Law Judge
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