

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

IN THE MATTER OF:

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License No. 000000000

SAMUEL HAYS

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ORDER OF DENIAL

The Tennessee State Board of Education (Board) disposes of this matter as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Samuel Hays (“Respondent”) applied for a license to teach in the State of Tennessee in 2007.

2. Respondent’s application indicated that he had a prior conviction for illegal possession of narcotics or drugs.

3. Respondent has not supplied information regarding the indicated prior conviction.

4. Respondent was notified by certified mail of the Board’s intent to deny his Tennessee license, and of his right to a hearing. The certified letter was returned unclaimed. The U.S. Postal Service notation that a properly addressed certified letter is “unclaimed” is sufficient evidence of the addressee's refusal to accept service and is sufficient legal notice to the addressee. By refusing delivery of the certified mail, Respondent has waived the right to a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent’s conduct constitutes grounds for denial, revocation, or suspension pursuant to Board Rule 0520-2-4-.01(9)(b)(6).

ORDER

The Tennessee State Board of Education hereby denies the issuance of a teaching license to Respondent.

Approved by the Board this 24th day of July, 2015.

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION

Fielding Rolston

BY:

B. Fielding Rolston, Chair

ATTEST:

Sara Heyburn

Dr. Sara Heyburn, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of August, 2015.

Phyllis E. Childress
NOTARY PUBLIC



MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:
January 9, 2016

After entry, a copy of this Order will be mailed to Respondent's last known address:

Mr. Samuel Hays
1537 Davis Rd.
Troy, TN 38260