

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:**March 2016**

CONSIDERATION OF APPEAL BY CHARLIE SMITH, JR.
OF THE DENIAL OF CERTIFICATION

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Section 168.071, RSMo

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DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 3

Missouri will prepare, develop, and support effective educators.

SUMMARY:

Applicant's Name: Charlie Smith, Jr.

Denial: On November 13, 2015, the Office of Educator Quality denied Mr. Smith's request for a Missouri substitute teaching certificate, based upon his criminal history.

On December 14, 2015, Mr. Smith requested the Department review the decision made by the Office of Educator Quality.

On December 21, 2015, the Department upheld the decision of the Office of Educator Quality and denied his application.

By correspondence received on January 18, 2016, Mr. Smith requested an appeal of the decision dated December 21, 2015.

Disposition: On August 9, 2011, Mr. Smith pled guilty and received a suspended imposition of sentence to two counts of the Felony, Nonsupport in Each of the Six Individual Months Within any Twelve-Month Period, Amount Owed is in Excess of \$5,000. Mr. Smith was sentenced to five years supervised probation.

Letters of Recommendation: Five (5) – (Educator, Attorney at Law, Parent, Assistant Professor, Municipal Judge)

PRESENTER:

William R. Thornton, General Counsel, will participate in the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.

RECOMMENDATION:

There is no new evidence which would merit reconsideration of the Department's decision to uphold the denial of Mr. Smith's application for a Missouri substitute teaching certificate by the Office of Educator Quality. It is recommended that Charlie Smith, Jr.'s application be denied.