STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGE COOK, :

Appellant, : CASE NO. 1996-61

vs. : DECISION

TROUP COUNTY :

BOARD OF EDUCATION, :

Appellee. :

This is an appeal by George Cook (Appellant) from a decision by the Troup County Board of Education (Local Board) to uphold his dismissal as a non-certificated employee because he had excessive absences, was intoxicated on the job, and he passed out on the job as the result of alcohol withdrawal. Appellant worked for the Local Board without a contract and was an at-will employee. The dismissal of an employee who works without a contract normally does not involve any question of school law. Appellant did not file a brief or request oral argument. As a consequence, he has failed to pursue his appeal to the State Board of Education and has not raised any constitutional issues. The appeal, therefore, is hereby DISMISSED.

This 13th day of February, 1997.

Dr. Bill Grow was not present.

Larry Thompson Vice Chairman for Appeals