STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

WILLIE CHARLES MURPHY,

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Appellant,

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vs. : CASE NO. 1999-30

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BIBB COUNTY

BOARD OF EDUCATION,

DECISION

Appellee. :

This is an appeal by Willie Charles Murphy (Appellant) from a decision by the Bibb County Board of Education (Local Board) to terminate his teaching contract after finding him guilty of soliciting sexual activity with his students. The Local Board made its decision on April 15,1999 and Appellant filed his appeal on May 19, 1999. O.C.G.A. § 20-2-1160 requires the filing of an appeal within 30 days after a local board makes its decision. Since Appellant filed his appeal 34 days after the Local Board made its decision, the State Board of Education is without jurisdiction to consider the appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is hereby DISMISSED.

This day of September 1999.

Bruce Jackson

Vice Chairman for Appeals