

**BOARD MEMBER REMOVAL FROM OFFICE**

A member of the Board of Education may be removed from office for willful violation or neglect of duty, or for willfully disobeying any decision, order or regulation of the Commissioner of Education. Notice of the charge and an opportunity for defense shall be provided. Official misconduct may be grounds for removal by the Board after a hearing.

A vacancy on the Board may also be declared if it is clearly established that a member has failed to attend three consecutive meetings without sufficient excuse or if a member has changed his/her legal residence from that of the school district.

Ref: Education Law ' ' 306; 1709; 2109