

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW APPEALS**

Middlesex, ss.

Mary Tiernan,
Petitioner,

Docket No.: CR-25-0686

v.

Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System,
Respondent.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Petitioner appealed the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System's (MTRS) denial of her request to purchase prior creditable service from a nonpublic school. MTRS found that the tuition of all students was not funded in part or in full by the Commonwealth; it also said she was entitled to receive a retirement benefit from her time there. I issued an order to show cause asking the Petitioner to respond by December 19, 2025. I indicated the matter would be dismissed if she failed to provide a valid explanation. No response was received by the deadline.

Accordingly, it is hereby ordered the appeal is **dismissed** for failure to prosecute.

Dated: January 2, 2026

Eric Tennen

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