

1 thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this
2 Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. This
3 stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the Commission. If the
4 Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Vincent nor the Commission are bound by these
5 Stipulations and Vincent retains all rights to a hearing on the allegations.

6 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 7 1. The Commission has licensed Sharronne Scalf Vincent since September 9, 1975.
8 Vincent's current Standard Teaching License, issued on June 29, 2008, expires on June
9 28, 2013. During all relevant times Vincent worked as a teacher with Rainier School
10 District.
- 11 2. During the course of a trial in Columbia County Circuit Court, the Columbia County
12 District Attorney's Office produced evidence that: On September 12, 2008 Vincent
13 confronted two male students as they were leaving her classroom. Another teacher had
14 instructed the students to photocopy their assignments before turning them in for
15 grading. Vincent barred the way of one student, and in an attempt to take his
16 assignment from him, grabbed him by the upper arm leaving visible bruises. As the
17 other student tried to leave Vincent's classroom, Vincent grabbed him by the arm,
18 leaving a bruise on it.

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1 3. At the conclusion of the trial, on September 24, 2009, Vincent was convicted of one
2 count of Harassment (ORS 166.065). Vincent was acquitted of a second count of
3 Harassment. As a result of the conviction Vincent was placed on probation for 18
4 months. The terms of that probation specified that Vincent "have no contact with
5 minors where defendant is in an authoritative, teaching, or instructive capacity."
6 Vincent's appeal of the conviction is pending.

7 **IT IS SO STIPULATED AND AGREED TO:**
8 Sharrone Scalf Vincent 9/16/11
9 Sharrone Scalf Vincent Date
10 Victoria Chamberlain 5-4-11
11 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director Date
12 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

13 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

14 The Columbia County Circuit Court concluded that Sharrone Scalf Vincent grabbed a
15 student with sufficient force to leave visible bruises. This constitutes gross neglect of duty in
16 violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-
17 0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*) and OAR 584-020-0010(1) (*Recognize the worth and*
18 *dignity of all persons and respect for each individual*) and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(d)
19 (*Unreasonable physical force against students, fellow employees, or visitors to the school,*
20 *except as permitted under ORS 339.250*).

21 As a result of the above described conviction Vincent was convicted of Harassment. As
22 term of Vincent's probation she was not allowed contact with minors in a teaching or
23 authoritative capacity. This constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b);
24 OAR 584-020-0040(5)(c) (*Conviction of violating any federal, state, or local law. A conviction*
25 *includes any final judgment of conviction by a court whether as the result of guilty plea, no*
26 *contest plea or any other means.*).

27 The Commission has the authority to impose discipline in this matter under ORS
28 342.120 through 342.430 and OAR Chapter 584.

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FINAL ORDER

The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and conclusion of law, based thereon, hereby suspends the Standard Teaching License of Sharronne Scalf Vincent for one year.

Issued and dated this 6 day of October ¹⁰ ~~May~~, 2011.

**TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
STATE OF OREGON**

By Victoria Chamberlain
Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

*Approved by Commission on 5-13-11.
Contingent upon return by June 3, 2011.
Returned by attorney on 9-20-11.
Year suspension begins on date
order signed by Executive Director.
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