

1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON

3 In the Matter of the) STIPULATION OF FACTS,
4 Teaching License of) SURRENDER, AND FINAL ORDER
5 SHANE ELI COHN) OF REVOCATION
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7 On or about October 6, 2008, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
8 (Commission) received a report indicating possible inappropriate conduct by Shane Eli
9 Cohn, a teacher in the Hillsboro School District.

10 After review of the matters alleged, Mr. Cohn and the Commission agree that
11 their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a
12 stipulation to certain facts and the surrender of his teaching license.

13 By signing below, Mr. Cohn acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees
14 to the following: (i) he has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a hearing to
15 contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and
16 finally waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this
17 Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Revocation (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this
18 Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to the public upon
19 request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent upon and
20 subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does not
21 approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Mr. Cohn nor the
22 Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) he has fully read this Stipulation and
23 Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) he voluntarily, without any force or
24 duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry
25 of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that no promise or representation has
26 been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) he has
27 consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully
28 advised with regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an

1 attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of
2 the Stipulated Final Order below.

3 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**


4 1. The Commission has licensed Mr. Cohn since August 22, 2008. Mr. Cohn
5 currently holds an Initial I Teaching License, with endorsements in Language Arts
6 and Multiple Subjects, issued August 22, 2008, and valid through August 15,
7 2012.

8 2. Mr. Cohn was employed by the Hillsboro School District during the 2008-09 school year.
9 During the 2007-2008 school year, Mr. Cohn worked as a student teacher at the
10 Hillsboro School District's alternative school Miller Education Center. While working at
11 Miller Education Center, he met student CMS. After CMS was no longer a student at
12 Miller Education Center, Mr. Cohn developed a relationship with CMS that was deemed
13 inappropriate by Mr. Cohn's employer, the Hillsboro School District.

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15 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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18 Shane E. Cohn

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Date 4/17/10

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21 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
22 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

Date 3-30-10

23 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

24 Mr. Cohn engaged in an inappropriate relationship with a student, as described in
25 paragraph 2 above. This conduct constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS
26 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(A)
27 or (D) (*Expressing professionally inappropriate interest in a student's personal life; Not*
28 *honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all*

1 time); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use
2 professional judgment)

3 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
4 342.175.

5 **ORDER**

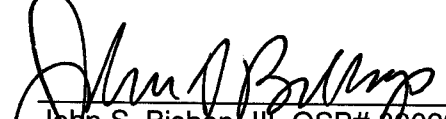
6 The Commission accepts the surrender of Shane Eli Cohn's Initial I Teaching
7 License and hereby revokes said license.

8 Issued and dated this 17th day of May, 2010.

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

11 By 
12 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
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14 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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16 John S. Bishop, III, OSB# 890228
17 Attorney for Shane Eli Cohn
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