

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) AND
5 RIKI RICHELLE ANDERSON) ORDER OF REPRIMAND

6 On or about September 2, 2005, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
7 (Commission) received an application for renewal of a Basic Teaching License from Riki R.
8 Anderson (Anderson). The North Powder and Burnt River School Districts submitted
9 Professional Education Experience Report (PEER) forms indicating that Anderson served as
10 Special Education teacher during school years in which she did not hold a Special Education
11 Endorsement.

12 Ms. Anderson fully cooperated with the Commission's investigation. After review of the
13 matters alleged, Ms. Anderson and the Executive Director agree that their respective interests,
14 together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain facts and a public
15 reprimand.

16 This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the sanction to
17 be imposed. Ms. Anderson stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in the
18 Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth
19 below. In entering into this stipulation, Ms. Anderson waives the right to a hearing to contest the
20 findings of fact, conclusion of law and order set forth below.

21 This stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the
22 Commission. If the Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Ms. Anderson nor the
23 Commission are bound by these Stipulations, and Ms. Anderson retains all rights to a hearing
24 on the allegations.

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1 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

2 1. On September 6, 1995, the Commission issued Ms. Anderson a Basic Teaching
3 License with Basic Elementary Endorsement.

4 2. In September of 1996 Ms. Anderson applied for a special education teaching
5 position and was hired by the Burnt River School District to teach special education.

6 Ms. Anderson enrolled in a special education program at Eastern Oregon University in January
7 of 1997. The District applied for and was granted Misassignments for Ms. Anderson to teach
8 special education during the 1996-1997, 1997-1998 and 1998-1999 school years.

9 Ms. Anderson taught special education at Burnt River School District without an endorsement,
10 or a Conditional Assignment Permit during the 1999-2000, 2000-2001 school years. On
11 September 30, 2001, the Commission authorized a one-year Conditional Assignment Permit for
12 Ms. Anderson to teach the 2001-2002 school year.

13 3. On January 8, 2002, the Commission renewed Ms. Anderson's Basic Teaching
14 License with Basic Elementary Endorsement valid through September 8, 2005, and instructed
15 Burnt River School District to request an emergency license for Ms. Anderson to allow her to
16 teach special education while she completed her special education program at Eastern Oregon
17 University. Burnt River School District did not request said emergency license. Ms. Anderson
18 continued to teach special education at Burnt River School District without a Special Education
19 Endorsement during the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 school years.

20 4. On May 3, 2004, the Commission received a Program Completion Report (C2) from
21 Eastern Oregon University indicating that Ms. Anderson completed her program on November
22 23, 2002.

23 5. On June 12, 2004, Ms. Anderson applied for a special education teaching position
24 with the North Powder School District. Ms. Anderson indicated on her Oregon Statewide
25 Teacher Application that she held a Basic License, under Endorsements she wrote, "Special
26 Education – Basic (currently processing through TSPC)".

1 6. On July 7, 2004, The Commission sent Ms. Anderson an email indicating that she
2 must make application to add the Special Education Endorsement to her Basic Teaching
3 License.

4 7. Ms. Anderson taught special education for the North Powder School District for the
5 2004-2005 school year and the 2005-2006 school year, through December 1, 2005, without a
6 Special Education Endorsement.

7 8. There is no evidence that Ms. Anderson intentionally misrepresented her licensure to
8 a school district or the Commission. There is no evidence that anyone had concerns about Ms.
9 Anderson's performance or competence as a special education teacher.

10 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

11 Riki R. Anderson
12 Riki R. Anderson
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Date

15 Victoria Chamberlain
16 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
17 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

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Date

18 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

19 Riki R. Anderson served without proper licensure in violation of OAR 584-050-0030(2)
20 during the 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-06 school
21 years. This misconduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty. The Commission's authority to
22 impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

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ORDER

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The Commission hereby adopts the above findings of fact and imposes a Public Reprimand upon the Licensure of Riki R. Anderson. This Order shall serve as the Public Reprimand.

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IT IS SO ORDERED this 10 day of March 2006.

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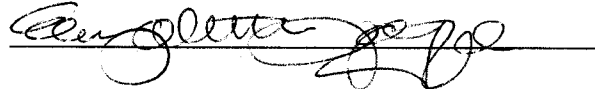
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