

1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

2
3 OF THE STATE OF OREGON

4 In the Matter of the) FINDINGS OF FACT
5 Teaching License of) AND
6 Waydann Lambertsen) ORDER OF SUSPENSION

7 On August 2, 2004, Waydann Lambertsen (Lambertsen) submitted an application
8 for a Teaching License to the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
9 (Commission). The Commission issued a Transitional Teaching License to
10 Ms. Lambertsen by expedited service at the request of South Umpqua School District
11 on August 12, 2004. Ms. Lambertson indicated on her application that she taught from
12 1995 through 2002 at Fillmore Elementary, Millard School District, Delta, Utah. Ms.
13 Lambertsen's application materials included a Professional Educational Experience
14 Report form, provided to the Commission by the Millard School District Superintendent,
15 indicating that she taught from 1995 through 2002 for Millard School District. Based
16 upon the five years teaching experience Ms. Lambertsen reported at Millard School
17 District the Commission waived the Subject Mastery Test for an Endorsement in English
18 for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) for her Transitional Teaching License. In
19 June of 2005 during the investigation of a separate matter the Commission discovered
20 that Ms. Lambertsen did not serve as a classroom teacher, as defined by Oregon law,
21 for the years she reported. Ms. Lambertsen was employed as an Instructional Assistant
22 for Millard School District and provided ESL instruction. Ms. Lambertsen also indicated
23 she served as a classroom teacher for the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 school years at
24 Eureka Elementary, Tintic School District, Eureka, Utah. Ms. Lambertsen obtained a
25 teaching license in Utah on November 19, 2003.

1 After review of the matters alleged, Ms. Lambertsen and the Commission agree
2 that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by
3 certain finds of fact and the suspension of her teaching license. Ms. Lambertsen
4 understands that the Commission will suspend said license for a period of six (6)
5 months effective September 1, 2005.

6 This Order sets forth the findings of fact and the sanction to be imposed. Ms.
7 Lambertsen denies allegations of intentional misrepresentation, however, stipulates that
8 there are sufficient facts contained in the Commission's files and records to support the
9 findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth below. In entering into this stipulation,
10 Ms. Lambertsen waives the right to a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions
11 of law and order set forth below.

12 This stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the
13 Commission. If the Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Ms. Lambertsen nor
14 the Commission are bound by these Stipulations and Ms. Lambertsen retains all rights
15 to a hearing on the allegations.

16 FINDINGS OF FACT

17 1. On August 2, 2004, Ms. Lambertsen submitted a complete application for a
18 Teaching License to the Commission. Ms. Lambertsen provided inaccurate information
19 relating to her teaching experience on her application and supporting documents to the
20 Commission.

21 2. The Commission issued a Transitional Teaching License to Ms. Lambertsen
22 on August 12, 2004, valid through August 12, 2007, with Endorsements in ESOL,
23 Multiple Subjects Self-Contained and Reading.

1 3. Ms. Lambertsen was employed by the South Umpqua School District
2 beginning August 30, 2004. Upon employment the Superintendent placed Ms.
3 Lambertsen on level 10 of the District teacher pay scale, a placement that the District
4 subsequently claimed was too high on the scale.

5 4. The District withheld \$4,946 from Ms. Lambertsen's final paychecks for the
6 2004-2005 school year to recoup amounts claimed as overpayment by the District.

7 5. The District placed Ms. Lambertsen on paid administrative leave April 29,
8 2005. On August 17, 2005, the South Umpqua School Board voted to dismiss Ms.
9 Lambertsen from employment.

10 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

11 Waydanna Lambertsen
12 Waydanna Lambertsen

1-20-06*
Date

13 Victoria Chamberlain
14 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
15 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

1-30-06
Date

16 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

17 Waydanna Lambertsen misrepresented information to the Commission directly
18 related to licensure on her application for a Transitional Teaching License by reporting
19 that she served as a classroom teacher from 1995 through 2002 at Fillmore Elementary
20 School in the Millard School District, Delta, Utah. This misconduct constitutes Neglect
21 of Duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(e) and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c). The
22 Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

1 ORDER

2 The Commission adopts the above findings of facts and hereby suspends the
3 Transitional Teaching License issued to Waydann Lambertsen for a period of six (6)
4 months effective September 1, 2005. At the end of this suspension period, Ms.
5 Lambertsen may apply for reinstatement of licensure pursuant to OAR 584-050-
6 0015(3).

7 IT IS SO ORDERED this 30 day of January, 2006.

8 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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10 By: 
11 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

12 Approved as to form:

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15 Attorney for Waydann Lambertsen
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