

1 3. Mr. Brown states that he purchased and sent the
2 marijuana to a friend who suffers from degenerative glaucoma.
3 Brown contends that he does not use marijuana or other drugs.

4 4. On February 27, 1998, Mr. Brown entered a plea of
5 guilty to two counts of the crime Delivering a Controlled
6 Substance (less than one ounce of marijuana). The court
7 sentenced Brown to four days in jail, eighteen months probation,
8 a requirement that he not possess or consume alcohol
9 or illegal drugs, and a requirement that he complete evaluation
10 and treatment by Community Counseling Center.

11 5. Mr. Brown disclosed the above conviction in his
12 application for renewal of his teaching license dated March 5,
13 1998.

14 6. The Commission received a letter from Alfredo Ruiz, a
15 drug counselor with Community Counseling Center, containing the
16 following information: Brown completed an alcohol/drug
17 evaluation and showed no indication of alcoholism or drug
18 addiction; Mr. Brown agreed to a urinalysis for alcohol and
19 drugs and all tests were negative; Mr. Brown has been cooperative
20 in all aspects of his drug program.

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1 DISCUSSION

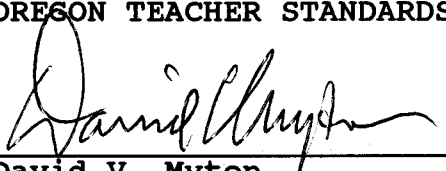
2 The Commission considers any unlawful use of drugs to be a
3 serious offense. In imposing a sanction, the Commission takes
4 into account the fact that Mr. Brown disclosed the existence of
5 his conviction on his TSPC application, and that Mr. Brown has
6 fully cooperated in his drug counseling program.

7 ORDER

8 The Commission suspends the teaching license of Gary Orville
9 Brown for a period of six months from the date of this order.
10 Following the suspension Mr. Brown may apply for reinstatement,
11 and, if he is otherwise eligible, his license shall be reinstated
12 subject to a period of probation of two years and the conditions
13 that he comply with all laws and all professional standards under
14 OAR 584 Division 20.

15 DATED this 14th day of July, 1998.

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17 OREGON TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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