

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 FINAL ORDER OF
5 NANCY ANN ARFORD-TASKER) REPRIMAND AND PROBATION
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7 On January 28, 2009, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission)
8 received a C-1 application for educator license from Nancy Ann Arford-Tasker (Arford-Tasker)
9 upon which she failed to disclose a conviction.

10 After review of the matters alleged, Ms. Arford-Tasker and the Commission agree that
11 their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to
12 certain facts and the imposition of a reprimand and probation.

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

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

3 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 4 1. The Commission has licensed Ms. Arford-Tasker since April 26, 1993. Ms. Arford-
5 Tasker holds a Standard Teaching License, with an endorsement in Standard
6 Elementary issued October 7, 2003. Ms. Arford-Tasker submitted an application to
7 renew her license on January 28, 2009.
- 8 2. On November 14, 2005 Ms. Arford-Tasker was arrested and subsequently convicted of
9 Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, while on her way to pick-up her minor
10 daughter from the airport.
- 11 3. Ms. Arford-Tasker failed to report this conviction on her January 28, 2009 application for
12 renewal of her teaching license.

13 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

14 Nancy Ann Arford-Tasker 8-5-09
15 Nancy Ann Arford-Tasker Date
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17 Victoria Chamberlain 7-17-09
18 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director Date
19 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
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21 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

22 Ms. Nancy Ann Arford-Tasker failed to disclose a conviction on her application for
23 educator licensure. This conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty in violation of OAR 584-
24 020-0040(4)(c). The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon
25 ORS 342.175.

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1 ORDER

2 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and
3 conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand on Nancy Ann Arford-
4 Tasker. This Stipulation of Facts, Order and Probation constitute the Reprimand.

5 Furthermore, the Commission places Ms. Arford-Tasker on Probation for a period of four
6 (4) years, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 7 1. Ms. Arford Tasker shall, at her own initiative and expense, obtain counseling by a
8 mental health professional acceptable to the Commission to explore issues regarding
9 candor in accepting responsibility related to alcohol and driving. A minimum of six
10 (6) one-hour sessions should be completed.
- 11 2. During the period of this probation, Ms. Arford-Tasker shall submit to the Executive
12 Director of the Commission reports of her compliance with this counseling
13 requirement. She shall provide these reports after the first three sessions and again
14 after the next three sessions, all of which must be completed within the first twelve
15 months of her probation.
- 16 3. Ms. Arford-Tasker shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical
17 Performance of Oregon Educators under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 584,
18 Division 020.

19 Violation of any term or condition of probation shall constitute an independent basis for
20 the Commission to revoke Ms. Arford-Tasker's teaching license or otherwise impose discipline,
21 after first providing Ms. Arford-Tasker with notice and opportunity for hearing.

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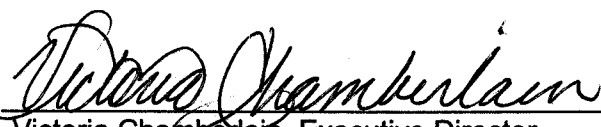
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Issued and dated this 10th day of August, 2009.

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: 
Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

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Approved as to form:


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