1 2 3	BEFORE TI		DARDS AND PRAC FATE OF OREGON	CTICES COMMISSION N	
4	In the Matter of the		) DEFAULT	ORDER OF	
5	Teaching License of		) DENIAL (		
6	RICHARD ALLEN RUP	PERT	) TEACHIN	G LICENSE	
7 8	On June 21, 2010, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a				
9	Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Richard Allen Ruppert (Ruppert) in which the Commission charged				
10	him with Gross Neglect of Duty pursuant to OAR 584-020-0040(4)(1), and OAR 584-050-0006(3)(d).				
11	The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7010 1410 0002 1902 5429				
12	to the address on file with the Commission. The Certified Mail was signed for by Richard Ruppert. The				
13	regular mail was not returned to the Commission. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated June 21,				
14	2010, and signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:				
15 16 17 18 19 20	"IF A REQUEST FOR HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN THIS 21-DAY PERIOD, YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED WAIVED UNLESS YOUR FAILURE TO REQUEST A HEARING WAS BEYOND YOUR REASONABLE CONTROL. IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING OR IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT A HEARING, THE COMMISSION WILL ADOPT AN ORDER OF DEFAULT WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE OR OTHER DISCIPLINE."				
21 22	Ruppert requested a hearing on September 1, 2010. On February 15, 2011, Ruppert withdrew his request				
23	for hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Ruppert to be in default and enters the following findings				
24	of fact, conclusions of law and order, based on the files and records of the Commission concerning this				
25	matter.				
26	FINDINGS OF FACT				
27 28 29	C-1 in support o		Substitute Teaching	plication for Educator Li License, upon which he d conviction.	
30	2. On October 9, 1	967, Ruppert was arre	sted for Rape, Burg	lary, Assault with intent	to Commit
31	Rape, and Atten	pted Rape by force. T	he specific conduct	leading to Ruppert's arre	est was that on
32	two separate occ	asions he followed wo	omen home in his ca	r and presented himself a	at their doors
33	under the preten	se of looking for some	one with whom the	y were not acquainted. R	luppert
34	gained entry to t	he home and forced hi	mself on the womer	and attempted to sexual	ly assault
35	them. On both	occasions Ruppert was	unsuccessful in his	sexual assault attempt ar	nd fled the

1	scene. On the second occasion Ruppert was apprehended by law enforcement a short time aft					
2	his failed attempt and later confessed to these crimes.					
3 4	3. Ruppert pled guilty to the above conduct and was subsequently convicted of Assault with the Intent to Commit Rape.					
5 6 7 8	4. Following Ruppert's conviction for Assault with the Intent to Commit Rape, Ruppert was committed to the Atascadero State Hospital as a mentally disordered sex offender. In 1967 Ruppert was diagnosed by two separate psychiatrists as having sociopathic personality disorder or alternately, psycho-neurosis dissociative reaction.					
9 10	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW					
11	Richard Allen Ruppert's conduct described in #2 and #3 above constitutes criminal conduct.					
12	Rape is a crime listed in ORS 342.143(3)(a)(A) and pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 584-020-					
13	0040(1) the Commission will deny a license to any applicant or educator who, has been convicted of any					
14	of the crimes listed in ORS 342.143, or the substantial equivalent of any of those crimes if convicted in					
15	another jurisdiction, or convicted of attempt to commit such crimes as defined in 161.405.					
16	Pursuant to OAR 584-050-0006(3)(d), the Executive Director may deny issuance of a license					
17	when there is evidence that the applicant may lack fitness to serve as an educator. Ruppert's mental					
18	confinement, as described in #4 above provides the Commission with such evidence.					
19	The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.					
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1 FINAL ORDER 2 The Commission hereby Denies Richard Allen Ruppert's application for an educator license. IT IS SO ORDERED THIS day of May, 2011. 3 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION Victoria Chamberlain. Executive Director 9 10 11 12 13 NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS 14 15 YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE 16 OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS 183.482 TO THE 17 18 OREGON COURT OF APPEALS. 19