

BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the)
Teaching License of)
AMANDA LYNN REQUA)

On December 9, 2010, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Amanda Lynn Requa (Requa) in which the Commission charged her with Gross Neglect of Duty pursuant to OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n), OAR 584-020-0010(4)(5), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o), and OAR 584-020-0035(2)(a). The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7010 0290 0001 6831 4794 to the address on file with the Commission. The Certified Mail was signed for on December 11, 2010. The regular mail was not returned to the Commission. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated December 9, 2010, and signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:

"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."

Requa did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Requa to be in default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order, based on the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Amanda Lynn Requa has been licensed as a teacher in Oregon since May 14, 2009. Requa's Emergency Teaching License, issued on May 14, 2009, expired on June 14, 2009. During all relevant times Requa worked as a teacher at the City View Charter School in the Hillsboro School District.

2. Beginning in August of 2008, Requa worked as a teacher at City View Charter School. At the time of her employment Requa did not hold a teaching license or a charter school registry. On May 11, 2009, Requa submitted an application to the Commission after working during the 2008-2009 school year.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Amanda Lynn Requa's above described conduct constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(2)(a) (*Apply for, accept, offer, or assign a position of responsibility only on the basis of professional qualifications, and will adhere to the conditions of a contract or the terms of the appointment*).

The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

FINAL ORDER

The Commission hereby suspends Amanda Lynn Requa's right to apply for an educator license for three months.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 11th day of February, 2011.

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: 

Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE 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 OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.