

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

In the Matter of the )  
Teaching License of )  
LEONARD DEAN HACKETT )

On August 14, 2007, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Leonard Dean Hackett (Hackett) in which the Commission denied licensure based on ORS 342.143(2). The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7006 0810 0001 4602 1862 to the address Mr. Hackett provided to the Commission. The certified mail receipt was signed by the educator and returned to the Commission on August 16, 2007. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated August 14, 2007, and signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:

"You, Leonard Dean Hackett, are entitled to a hearing on the proposed action of the Commission. If you want a hearing, you must file a written request for a hearing with the Commission within 21 days of the date of this notice. Attached to this notice is a copy of the procedures, right of representation and other rights of parties relating to the conduct of a hearing as required under ORS 183.413(2)."

Mr. Hackett did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Mr. Hackett 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. On or about April 17, 2007, Mr. Hackett signed and submitted an Application for Educator License Form C-1 seeking to reinstate his license. On or about August 4, 2006, the Commission suspended Mr. Hackett's teaching license by entry of a stipulated order for a period of ninety (90) days for accessing sexually explicit images from a school computer in violation of the school district's acceptable use policy.

2. The stipulated order of suspension provided that Mr. Hackett would be eligible for reinstatement after fulfilling various requirements, including:

“Submission of documentation that he has undergone an evaluation by a psychotherapist or medical professional acceptable to the Commission, and the evaluator submits a written report to the Commission attesting (a) Mr. Hackett is fit to work with children and teenagers, and (b) there is a high probability he will not use school district equipment to access sexually explicit materials or engage in similar inappropriate behavior. Any costs associated with the assessment of or treatment will be the responsibility of Mr. Hackett.”

3. As part of Mr. Hackett's license application, he submitted a summary section of an evaluation done by William Davis, Psy.D. Mr. Hackett later submitted a complete evaluation at TSPC staff's request. In his evaluation, Dr. Davis diagnosed Mr. Hackett with an Axis I disorder of Paraphilia Not Otherwise Specified: compulsive interaction with pornography.

4. Dr. Davis opined that while Mr. Hackett has recognized the need to change his habit pattern, he has not sought out therapy to assist in coping with his paraphilic compulsions.

5. Dr. Davis also opined in the evaluation that Mr. Hackett should undergo additional treatment before returning to an environment where he has contact with middle school and high school students.

6. Based on the foregoing information, Mr. Hackett has failed to establish fitness to serve as an educator.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Pursuant to OAR 584-050-0006(2)(e) and ORS 342.143(2) the Executive Director may deny issuance of a license based upon evidence that the applicant may lack fitness to serve as an educator. The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

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1 **ORDER**

2 The Commission hereby denies the application of Leonard Dean Hackett to reinstate an  
3 Oregon Teaching License.

4 IT IS SO ORDERED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007.

5 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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7 By: 

8 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director  
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10 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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12 YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE  
13 OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE  
14 OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS  
15 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.