

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

In the Matter of the)
Teaching License of) DEFAULT ORDER OF
RALPH FREDERICK KING) LICENSE REVOCATION

On May 13, 2004, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Ralph Frederick King (King) in which the Commission charged him with misconduct under ORS 342.175. The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7003 2260 0000 8804 5931 to the address Mr. King provided to the Commission on his application for licensure. The certified mail receipt was signed and dated on May 24, 2004. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated May 13, 2004, and signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:

"You, Ralph Frederick King, 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. King did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Mr. King 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. Mr. King holds a Standard Teaching License with endorsements in Office Systems, Basic Social Studies, Standard General Business Education and Accounting/Financial Systems, issued December 10, 2002, valid until November 18, 2007.

2. Mr. King was employed as a teacher for Gilchrist High School, Klamath County School District. He began his employment with the District in August of 1983. Mr. King resigned his employment with the District on November 7, 2003.

1 3. On March 7, 2003, the Commission issued Mr. King a Public Reprimand for behavior
2 that created an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment. Additionally, Mr. King
3 was reprimanded for destruction of public property.

4 4. In June of 2003, at Gilchrist Junior/Senior High School, Klamath County School
5 District, Mr. King made insulting and humiliating remarks to a female student when she failed to
6 answer a review question he asked. On December 17, 2001, Mr. King was reprimanded by his
7 supervisor for using inappropriate language when addressing students.

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9 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

10 The above conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty in violation of OAR 584-020-
11 0040(4)(n). This conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty. The Commission's authority to
12 impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

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14 **ORDER**

15 The Commission hereby revokes the Oregon Standard Teaching License issued to
16 Ralph Frederick King.

17 IT IS SO ORDERED this 29th day of July, 2004.

18 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

19 By: 
20 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
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22 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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25 YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE
26 OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE
27 OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS
28 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.