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JUDITH A. BILLINGS

Superintendent of Public Instruction

In the Matter of the
Application for Certification)

JAMES ALLEN CREEVEY)

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DENIAL OF APPLICATION
FOR CERTIFICATION ORDER

STATE OF WASHINGTON)

COUNTY OF THURSTON) ss.

The Office of Professional Practices has completed its investigation of the above-referenced application for certification and hereby enters a Denial of Application for Certification Order based on the following:

Findings of Fact:

(1) The applicant has the burden of proof to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence the possession of good moral character and personal fitness by clear and convincing evidence.

(2) The applicant voluntarily surrendered his certificate in 1985 after pleading guilty to communicating with a minor for immoral purposes. This guilty plea was based on the sexual molestation of a student.

(3) According to the recent evaluation of Timothy A. Smith, M.Ed., the applicant had sexually molested other students as well, prior to the molestation of the student for whom he was charged. The applicant did not admit to the other molestations until he took the lie detector test which is part of the evaluation.

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(4) The applicant has an admitted record of using his position and authority as a teacher to groom students for sexual molestation.

Conclusions of Law:

The applicant has failed to provide clear and convincing evidence of the good moral character or personal fitness required for certification in the state of Washington.

DATED this 25th day of March, 1991.

JUDITH A. BILLINGS
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