



# SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION )  
CERTIFICATE OF )  
Derrick Sepp )  
Certificate No. 409081G )

OPP No. D09-01-007 )  
FINAL ORDER OF )  
MANDATORY PERMANENT )  
REVOCATION )

COMES NOW the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), under the authority granted by the laws of the state of Washington, having reviewed the file of the above-referenced case, and having considered the entire evidence contained therein, does hereby permanently revoke the Washington Education Certificate, No. 409081G, of Derrick Sepp, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Derrick Sepp was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 409081G, on July 14, 2003. That certificate currently remains valid.

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2. In April 2008, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, received information from Florida media agencies that Derrick Sepp had been arrested in Florida for sexual contact with a 12-year old male. OPP contacted Lake Wales, Florida Police Department and confirmed the arrest.

3. On January 21, 2009, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, received information, through the Florida State Attorney's Office, that Derrick Sepp had pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Polk County, Florida to the felony crime of Lewd or Lascivious Molestation, victim 12-16 years of age.

4. On or about March 15, 2008, in Polk County, Florida, Derrick Sepp intentionally touched the genitals of a 12 year old male. The 12-year old male also intentionally touched Derrick Sepp's genitals.

5. From March 15, 2008 to April 2, 2008, Derrick Sepp communicated through cell phones and the Internet with the 12-year old male.

6. On April 2, 2008, Derrick Sepp was arrested by officers from Lake Wales, Florida Police Department for one count of Lewd or Lascivious Molestation; Lake Wales Police Department Report #080301128.

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7. On April 18, 2008, an Information and Affidavit, Cause/Case No. CF08-002472-XX, were filed in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Polk County, Florida charging Derrick Sepp with: two (2) counts of Lewd or Lascivious Molestation, victim 12-16, Florida Statute 800.04; and two (2) counts of Traveling to Meet a Minor after Computer Use, Florida Statute 847.135.

8. On January 16, 2009, Derrick Sepp was found guilty by plea, in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Polk County, Florida, of two (2) counts of Lewd or Lascivious Molestation, victim 12-16, Florida Statute 800.04; and two (2) counts of Traveling to Meet a Minor after Computer Use, Florida Statute 847.135. Derrick Sepp was sentenced to: \$829 court costs and fines; Imprisonment for a term of ten (10) years with the Florida Department of Corrections; followed by a ten (10) year period on the Sex Offender Probation under the supervision of the Florida Department of Corrections; 282 days credit for time served; and sentenced as a sex offender. Polk County Circuit Court Cause/Case No. CF08-002472-XX

9. On February 5, 2009, the Office of Professional Practices received a letter from Derrick Sepp, through Mikk Sepp, stating that he wished to voluntarily revoke/cancel Certificate No. 409091G immediately and permanently.

10. Florida Statutes 800.04 is similar in wording to Revised Code of Washington 9A.44.086, Child Molestation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree.

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11. Derrick Sepp has pleaded guilty or been convicted of a crime identified in Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28A.410.090(3). Such a plea or conviction authorizes OSPI to permanently revoke the Education Certificate.

12. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington Education Certificate.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Derrick Sepp and over the subject matter of this action.
  
2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 409081G, of Derrick Sepp, should be revoked, as provided for in WAC 181-86-075.
  
3. Derrick Sepp has violated RCW 28A.410.090, WAC 181-86-013, and/or WAC 181-86-014.

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**ORDER**

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It has been thirty days since the Proposed Order of Mandatory Permanent Revocation was received. The appeal time period has passed. It is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 409081G, of Derrick Sepp is revoked.

DATED This 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009.

RANDY I. DORN  
Superintendent of Public Instruction  
State of Washington



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