



# SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION	)	
CERTIFICATE OF	)	OPP No. D05-11-125
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Alfredo Castillo	)	FINAL ORDER OF
Certificate No. 217764J	)	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. 217764J, of Alfredo Castillo, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Alfredo Castillo was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 217764J, on August 4, 1976. That certificate currently remains valid.
2. Alfredo Castillo was employed by the Columbia School District as a paraprofessional during the 2004-2005 school year.

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3. On November 18, 2005, the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), within OSPI, received a complaint letter, from the Superintendent of the Columbia School District, alleging a lack of good moral character or personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 181-87, by Alfredo Castillo.

4. On March 18, 2002, the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), within OSPI, received a complaint letter, from the Superintendent of the Pasco School District, alleging a lack of good moral character or personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 181-87, by Alfredo Castillo; OPP file No. D02-05-065.

5. On February 14, 2002, Altagracia Escamilla, a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, reported to her school principal that she observed Mr. Castillo's hand under the shirt of a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade female student. The female student was questioned and she did not recall Mr. Castillo patting her on the back or rubbing her back.

6. On February 19, 2002, Mr. Castillo submitted a letter of resignation to the Pasco School District.

7. On March 5, 2002, Mr. Castillo's employment with the Pasco School District was terminated.

8. On October 10, 2002, OPP dismissed OPP File No. D02-05-065.
  
9. On September 12, 2005, the Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office received a complaint that a 13-year old female had been molested by Mr. Castillo during the 2004-2005 school year at Columbia Middle School. Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office initiated an investigation; Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office Incident No. 05-09-073.
  
10. On September 12, 2005, Mr. Castillo was placed on administrative leave.
  
11. On October 18, 2005, an Information and Certificate of Probable Cause was filed in Walla Walla County Superior Court charging Mr. Castillo with the felony crime of Child Molestation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, RCW 9A.44.086; Walla Walla Superior Court Cause No. 05-1-00408-5.
  
12. On November 9, 2005, Mr. Castillo was issued a Notice of Suspension with Pay (Pending Discharge). Accompanying the Notice of Suspension was a Letter Re: Notice of Recommendation for Discharge.
  
13. On November 14, 2005, Mr. Castillo was issued a letter stating that the Columbia School District Board terminated his employment effective November 14, 2005.

14. On November 3, 2006, Mr. Castillo was found guilty, after a jury trial, of Child Molestation 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, RCW 9A.44.086; Walla Walla Superior Court Cause No. 05-1-00408-5.

15. On March 22, 2007, Mr. Castillo was sentenced to: \$5,150.04 in total legal financial obligations, including restitution; fifteen (15) months confinement commencing March 22, 2007; 36-48 months community custody; conditions of community custody, including psycho-sexual treatment; no contact with the victim and/or her family for life; HIV testing; and Sex Offender and Kidnapping Registration; Walla Walla Superior Court Cause No. 05-1-00408-5.

16. Alfredo Castillo 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.

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

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Alfredo Castillo and over the subject matter of this action.
  
2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 217764J, of Alfredo Castillo, should be revoked, as provided for in WAC 181-86-075.
  
3. Alfredo Castillo has violated WAC 181-87-080, WAC 181-86-013, WAC 181-86-014, and/or RCW 28A.410.090.

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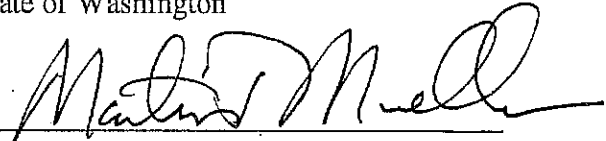
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**ORDER**

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. 217764J, of Alfredo Castillo is Permanently Revoked.

DATED This 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

DR. TERRY BERGESON  
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