



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D06-11-089
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Erik P. Larson)	FINAL ORDER OF
Certificate No. 354473A)	PERMANENT REVOCATION
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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. 354473A, of Erik P. Larson, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Erik P. Larson was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 354473A, on July 25, 1997. That certificate currently remains valid.
2. On November 27, 2006, the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), within OSPI, received information through the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) database, that the state of Alaska had taken action against Mr. Larson's Alaska Teaching Certificate.

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3. Between the 1st day of July, 2004 and the 7th day of August of 2004, Mr. Larson engaged in sexual penetration and contact with L.B., a female who was under the age of 16 years.

4. On or about January 7, 2006, Mr. Larson provided alcohol to his 18 year old niece, S.L. and engaged in sexual penetration of S.L. without the consent of S.L.; Alaska Bureau of Investigation report #06-1640.

5. On January 13, 2006, an Indictment was filed in the Superior Court of Alaska, Third Judicial District at Kenai, charging Mr. Larson with Sexual Assault in the First Degree, Alaska Statute (AS) 11.41.410; Cause #3KN-S06-37 CR. An Information Replacing Indictment was issued the same day charging Mr. Larson with Sexual Assault in the First Degree, Alaska Statute (AS) 11.41.410; Cause #3KN-S06-37 CR.

6. On January 13, 2006, an Information Adding Misdemeanor Counts to Indictment was filed the Superior Court of Alaska, Third Judicial District at Kenai, charging Mr. Larson with Sexual Assault in the First Degree, AS 11.41.410, and Furnishing Alcohol to Minor, AS 04.16.051; Cause #3KN-S06-37 CR.

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7. On January 27, 2006, an Indictment was filed in Homer, Alaska for the Superior Court of Alaska, Third Judicial District at Kenai, charging Mr. Larson with: thirteen (13) counts of Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the Second Degree, AS 11.41.436; six (6) counts of Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the Third Degree, AS 11.41.438; and seven (7) counts of Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the First Degree, AS 11.41.434; Cause #3HO-S06-30 CR.

8. On July 14, 2006, an Information Replacing Indictment was filed in the Homer, Alaska for the Superior Court of Alaska, Third Judicial District at Kenai, charging Mr. Larson with Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the 2nd Degree, AS 11.41.436(a)(1), and Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the 3rd Degree, AS 11.41.438(a)(1); Cause #3HO-S06-30 CR.

9. On August 29, 2006, Mr. Larson signed an Agreement to Revocation for Life of Type A Teacher Certificate with the Professional Teaching Practices Commission within the State of Alaska Department of Education and Early Development. In the agreement, Mr. Larson surrendered his Alaska Type A Teacher Certificate and the Professional Teaching Practices Commission revoked his Alaska Type A Teacher Certificate for life.

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10. On October 9, 2006, Mr. Larson was found guilty by plea of no contest to the charge of Sexual Assault in the 2nd Degree, AS 11.41.430(a)(3)(C); Superior Court of Alaska, Third Judicial District at Kenai Cause No. 3KN-S06-37CR. Mr. Larson was sentenced to: four years in the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Corrections, with two years suspended; the sentence was to run concurrently with the sentence from Cause #3HO-S06-30 CR; the aggregate sentence for both cases is eight (8) years with three (3) years of active/unsuspended time; \$100 Police Training Surcharge; \$200, with \$100 suspended, Jail Surcharge; DNA Identification; General and Special Conditions of Probation; and register as a sex offender for life. The two (2) counts of Furnishing Liquor to a Minor, AS 04.16.051 (A) were dismissed. The Judgment and Sentence was filed on October 10, 2006.

11. On October 10, 2006, a Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation-Superior Court was filed in the Alaska Superior Court, Third Judicial District at Homer. Mr. Larson was found guilty upon plea of no contest to: Count II, Sexual Abuse in the Third Degree, AS 11.41.438; and Count XIV, Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the Second Degree, AS 11.41.436. The remainders of the criminal counts were dismissed.

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12. The Judgment and Order of Commitment states that Mr. Larson: is committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for: two (2) years with one year suspended for Count II and two years with one year suspended for Count XIV. The sentence was to run concurrently with 3KN-S06-37 CR. Mr. Larson was also: ordered to pay \$200 for Police Training Surcharges and \$200 for Jail Surcharge; submit samples of his DNA for the DNA registration System; general conditions of probation; special conditions of probation; and required to register as a Sex Offender for life.

13. The criminal offenses that Mr. Larson was convicted of, under the Alaska Statutes, are similar to criminal offenses listed in the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 9A.44.

14. Erik P. Larson 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.

15. 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 Erik P. Larson and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 354473A, of Erik P. Larson, should be revoked, as provided for in WAC 181-86-075.

3. Erik P. Larson has violated WAC 181-86-013, WAC 181-86-014, and/or RCW 28A.410.090.

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ORDER

It has been thirty days since the Proposed Order of Permanent Revocation was received. The appeal time period has passed. It is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 354473A, of Erik Larson is Permanently Revoked.

DATED This 27th day of March, 2007.

DR. TERRY BERGESON
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington



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