



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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February 5, 2008

**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Leonard Taruscio
[REDACTED]

RE: Certificate No.: 129255F
OPP No.: D07-09-085

Dear Mr. Taruscio:

I have received your signed statement, dated January 23, 2008, voluntarily surrendering your Washington educational certificate. Notification to that effect, including your name, certificate number(s), and social security number will be shared with other states and public and private school officials within the state of Washington.

You must immediately return your certificate(s) to:

Office of Professional Practices
Superintendent of Public Instruction
PO Box 47200
Olympia, Washington, 98504-7200

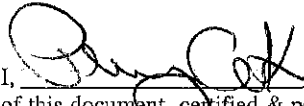
If you have any questions, please contact me at (360) 725-6136.

Sincerely,

Martin T. Mueller
Assistant Superintendent
Student Support and Operations

CS:pjc

cc: Anne Shaw, Assistant Attorney General

I, , certify that on 2/11/08, I mailed a copy of this document, certified & postage prepaid, to all parties or their counsel of record. I certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the state of Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct.



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VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATE(S)

I, Leonard Taruscio, have reason to believe that I am or might be ineligible to hold a certificate(s) for reasons which do or might constitute grounds for revocation of the certificate(s). Accordingly, I hereby voluntarily surrender the following certificate(s):

1. _____ Certificate No. 129255F
2. _____ Certificate No. _____
3. _____ Certificate No. _____

I have not been, to the best of my knowledge, convicted of any felony crime listed within WAC 181-86-013(1).

WAC 181-86-013 Good moral character and personal fitness -- Definition. As used in this chapter, the terms "good moral character and personal fitness" means character and personal fitness necessary to serve as a certificated employee in schools in the state of Washington, including character and personal fitness to have contact with, to teach, and to perform supervision of children. Good moral character and personal fitness includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- (1) No conviction of any felony crime involving:
 - (a) The physical neglect of a child under chapter 9A.42 RCW;
 - (b) The physical injury or death of a child under chapter 9A.32 or 9A.36 RCW, excepting motor vehicle violations under chapter 46.61 RCW;
 - (c) The sexual exploitation of a child under chapter 9.68A RCW;
 - (d) Sexual offenses where a child is the victim under chapter 9A.44 RCW;
 - (e) The promotion of prostitution of a child under chapter 9A.88 RCW;
 - (f) The sale or purchase of a child under RCW 9A.64.030;
 - (g) Provided, That the general classes of felony crimes referenced within this subsection shall include equivalent federal and crimes in other states committed against a child;
 - (h) Provided further, That for the purpose of this subsection "child" means a minor as defined by the applicable state or federal law;
 - (i) Provided further, That for the purpose of this subsection "conviction" shall include a guilty plea.

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I agree, if I request reinstatement of the certificate(s) I have voluntarily surrendered, to provide the Superintendent of Public Instruction with an affidavit describing in full the reasons for my voluntary surrender of the certificate(s) listed above. I further understand that the Superintendent of Public Instruction will notify other states and public and private school officials within the state of Washington that I have voluntarily surrendered my certificate(s).

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2008.

Leonard N Taruscio

Printed Name

Leonard N Taruscio

Signature

[Redacted Address]

Address

[Redacted City, State, Zip]

City, State Zip

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 23rd day of January, 2008.

Tonia M. Shaw

Notary Public in and for the state of

Arizona

Residing at Pima County

My commission expires: 8-2-09



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