



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D11-02-011
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Sheree Buchanan)	FINAL ORDER OF
Certificate No. 472040E)	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. 472040E, of Sheree Buchanan, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Sheree Buchanan was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 472040E, on June 14, 2010. That certificate currently remains valid.
2. Sheree Buchanan was employed by the Northwest Arctic Borough School District of Kotzebue, Alaska.

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3. On or about February 28, 2011 the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, did receive notification from the Director of the Professional Teaching Practices Commission, within the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, that Sheree Buchanan had been charged with felony sex offenses against a student in Alaska.

4. During the 2010-2011 school year, Sheree Buchanan had sexual intercourse and sexual contact with a J.W., a 17 year old male Northwest Artic Borough School District student.

5. During the 2010-2011 school year, Sheree Buchanan had an inappropriate relationship with a J.W.

6. On February 15, 2011, a report alleging sexual misconduct by Sheree Buchanan was filed with the Kotzebue detachment of the Alaska State Troopers; Alaska Department of Public Safety/ Alaska State Troopers report #11-14886.

7. On February 21, 2011, Sheree Buchanan participated in an interview with an Alaska State Trooper. During the interview, Sheree Buchanan admitted to, among other issues, having sexual intercourse with J.W.; Alaska Department of Public Safety/ Alaska State Troopers report #11-14886.

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8. On February 21, 2011, Sheree Buchanan was booked into the Kotzebue, Alaska Regional Jail and charged with two counts of Sexual Assault of a Minor II, Alaska Statute 11.41.436(a)(6); Alaska Department of Public Safety/ Alaska State Troopers report #11-14886.

9. On February 22, 2011, a Felony Complaint was filed in Kotzebue Superior Court charging Sheree Buchanan with two counts of Sexual Assault of a Minor II, Alaska Statute 11.41.436(a)(6); Kotzebue Superior Court Cause #2KB-11-00106CR.

10. On July 6, 2011, Sheree Buchanan pleaded guilty to two counts of Sexual Assault of a Minor II, Alaska Statute 11.41.436(a)(6); Kotzebue Superior Court Cause #2KB-11-00106CR.

11. On October 4, 2011, Sheree Buchanan was found guilty by plea and sentenced; Kotzebue Superior Court Cause #2KB-11-00106CR.

12. Sheree Buchanan was provided an opportunity to respond to the allegations of misconduct as per Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28A.410.090. As of October 17, 2011, OPP has not received a response from Sheree Buchanan.

13. Alaska Statute 11.41.436(a)(6) is similar in language to RCW 9A.44.093, Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 1st Degree.

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14. Sheree Buchanan 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.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Sheree Buchanan and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 472040E, of Sheree Buchanan, should be revoked, as provided for in WAC 181-86-075.

3. Sheree Buchanan has violated RCW 28A.410.090, WAC 181-87-060, WAC 181-87-080, WAC 181-86-013, and/or WAC 181-86-014.

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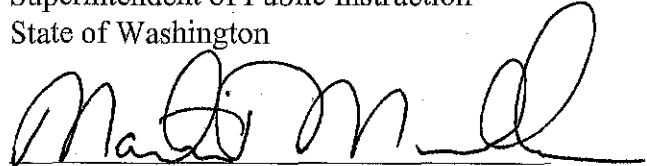
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ORDER

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 472040E,
of Sheree Buchanan be permanently revoked.

DATED This 16th day of December, 2011.

RANDY I. DORN
Superintendent of Public Instruction
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