

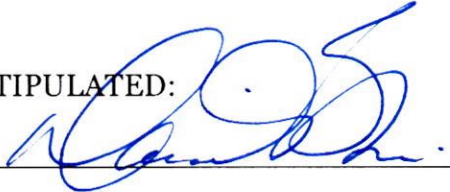
1 entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that no promises or representation has
2 been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) he has consulted
3 with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with
4 regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to
5 entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final
6 Order below. This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the
7 sanction to be imposed. In entering into this stipulation, Bliss waives the right to a hearing to
8 contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below.

9 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

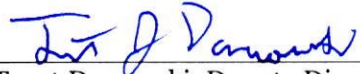
- 10 1) Bliss has been licensed by the Commission since October 26, 2000. Bliss previously held a
11 Preliminary Teaching License, with an endorsement in Drama (PK-12), valid from
12 September 9, 2015 through September 8, 2018. During all relevant times, Bliss was
13 employed (Contract / Volunteer) by the Salem-Keizer School District (SKSD).
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- 15 2) On November 8, 2017, the Commission received a report from the Salem-Keizer School
16 District (SKSD) alleging Bliss had falsified answers on his district employment / volunteer
17 application(s). Investigation determined the following:
- 18 a) On March 8, 2002, Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) revoked Bliss'
19 Restricted Transitional Teaching license by default order. On June 12, 2012, Bliss' license
20 was reinstated by TSPC, effective February 3, 2012.
- 21 b) On December 15, 2006, Bliss submitted a Criminal History Background Statement Non-
22 Licensed Employees, Administrators and Volunteers to SKSD. On "*Question 4. Have*
23 *you ever had a professional license revoked, suspended, or denied?*" Bliss checked the
24 "No" box. On June 29, 2007, SKSD sent Bliss a letter noting the TSPC revocation in
25 2002 and the fact Bliss had failed to disclose this on his Criminal History Background
26 form. Bliss was advised he was no longer eligible for future employment or to participate
27 in SKSD sponsored activities as a volunteer.
- 28 c) On October 17, 2017, Bliss submitted a SKSD Employment / Volunteer
29 application including another background check form. On the question that
30 asked, "*Have you ever been reprimanded, disciplined or placed on probation by*
31 *a licensing agency (including but not limited to the Oregon Teacher Standards*

1 and Practices Commission) or had a professional license revoked, suspended, or
2 denied?” Bliss answered “No”. On November 7, 2017, SKSD sent Bliss a letter
3 again noting the 2002 TSPC revocation and Bliss’ failure to properly disclose this.
4 The letter also noted the previous letter sent to Bliss, dated June 29, 2007, which
5 reiterated that Bliss was no longer eligible for future employment or allowed to
6 participate in SKSD sponsored activities as a volunteer.

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9 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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11 _____
12 David Bliss

10 8/27/2019
11 _____
12 Date

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14 Trent Danowski, Deputy Director
15 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

12 9/4/2019
13 _____
14 Date

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16 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

17 David Bliss’ conduct as described in section two 2(a), (b), (c), above constitutes gross
18 neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates
19 OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (*Using district*
20 *lawful and reasonable rules and regulations*); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) (*Falsification of*
21 *any document or knowing misrepresentation directly related to licensure, employment, or*
22 *professional duties*).

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24 The Commission’s authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
25 342.175.

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28 **ORDER**

1 The Commission adopts the above Stipulation of Facts, and revokes David J. Bliss' right
2 to apply for an educator license.

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4 IT IS SO ORDERED this 8 day of November, 2019.

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6 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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By:  _____
Dr. Anthony J. Rosilez, Executive Director