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2 2) On September 18, 2019, Rinke digitally signed his TSPC application for clinical
3 practices clearance. Rinke accurately answered his character questions, including
4 affirmative answers to questions 8, 9, and 10 as they relate to criminal history and
5 background information.
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7 Investigation determined that Rinke's criminal history included convictions on
8 December 6, 2013, due to a guilty plea, for crimes related to domestic violence. This
9 included aggravating circumstances of traumatic injury and attempted strangulation.
10 Rinke was subsequently convicted and sentenced to ten years determinate on the
11 domestic violence with a traumatic injury charge and to fifteen years indeterminate
12 on the attempted strangulation charge to run consecutively to the first term. Rinke
13 served approximately four years and six months of his sentence when he received
14 some form of post-conviction relief. Rinke was granted parole / probation and
15 allowed to re-locate to Oregon for his supervision. Rinke's supervision runs until
16 June 20, 2029. Review of Rinke's past employment records at Boise State University,
17 where he worked as an instructional assistant, indicate that on November 22, 2013,
18 he resigned his employment in part due to being arrested on September 12, 2013, for
19 the described criminal activity. Employment records further indicated some history
20 of aggression while employed and concerns related to Rinke's mental health status.
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22 3) On December 6, 2019, a commission investigator formally requested, by both regular
23 and certified mail, to interview Rinke. On December 19, 2019, the investigator
24 attempted to speak to Rinke by phone regarding his failure to respond to the request
25 in a timely manner. The investigator left a detailed voice mail. The investigator made
26 one final attempt to secure an interview with Rinke by calling and leaving a message
27 on January 9, 2020. All of these attempts included information regarding the
28 requirement and consequences for failing to respond and cooperate with a
29 commission investigation. Records indicate that Rinke failed to respond to all
30 attempts to arrange an official interview.
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1 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2 Isaac J. Rinke’s conduct, as described in section two (2) above, constitutes gross
3 neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it
4 incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), and OAR 584-
5 020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the dignity*
6 *of the profession by respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal integrity*
7 *and honesty*). The above conduct also constitutes gross unfitness in violation of ORS
8 342.175(1)(c); 584-020-0040(5)(c) (*Conviction of violating any federal, state, or*
9 *local law. A conviction includes any final judgment of conviction by a court whether*
10 *as the result of guilty plea, no contest plea or any other means*), and OAR 584-020-
11 0040(5)(e) (*Admission of or engaging in acts constituting criminal conduct, even in*
12 *the absence of a conviction*).

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14 Isaac J. Rinke’s conduct, as described above in section three (3) above, constitutes
15 gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as
16 it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), and OAR 584-
17 020-0040(4)(p) (*Subject to the exercise of any legal right or privilege, failure or*
18 *refusal by an educator under investigation to respond to requests for information,*
19 *to furnish documents or to participate in interviews with a Commission*
20 *representative relating to a Commission investigation*).

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


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26 **FINAL ORDER**

27 The Commission hereby issues a denial of Rinke’s application for clinical practices,
28 and a revocation of Rinke’s right to apply for an Oregon educator license.

1 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 22nd day of September, 2020.

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TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: 
Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director

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NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

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YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.