

1 consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and
2 entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

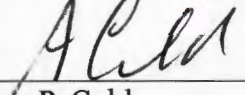
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4 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 5 1. On March 29, 2022, Gold digitally signed and submitted an application with the
6 Commission for a Substitute Teaching License. Gold’s application was placed on hold
7 pending resolution of this matter.
- 8 2. In mid-April 2022, Commission staff conducted a routine background check on Gold and
9 noted an arrest in California related to alleged behavior with students. Staff also found Gold
10 had been placed by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) into the
11 NASDTEC (National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education Certification)
12 Clearinghouse, a national database of disciplined educators, for having an indefinite
13 suspension to his California teaching credential. The matter was referred to the
14 Commission’s Professional Practices Division for further investigation.
- 15 3. Investigation found that in May 2018, Gold was placed on administrative leave by the
16 Hayward Unified School District (HUSD) in CA, for allegations of inappropriate conduct
17 with students. Gold denied the allegation. On December 3, 2019, Gold retired and
18 voluntarily surrendered his CA teaching and administrative credentials. Gold believed the
19 surrender allowed for a future reinstatement pending a CCTC investigation into the matter.
- 20 4. Investigation found there was a criminal investigation into the allegations. Gold was charged
21 with three misdemeanor counts. On December 19, 2019, the Alameda County District
22 Attorney’s Office dismissed the criminal case.
- 23 5. Investigation found Gold failed to disclose information related to his criminal investigation
24 and professional discipline in California on the character questions of his Commission
25 application. Gold explained he inadvertently submitted the application while waiting to
26 make edits after receiving more information from CA. On Gold’s application, he answered
27 “No” to the following character questions:
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- 29 • Have you ever left any educational or school-related employment, voluntarily or
30 involuntarily, while the subject of or within six months following an inquiry, review
31 or investigation of alleged misconduct? Have you ever left educational or school-
32 related employment when you had reason to believe and investigation for
33 misconduct was underway or imminent?

- 1 • Have you ever been investigated by an employer or any state agency for alleged
- 2 physical or sexual abuse? Have you ever been placed on leave by your employer for
- 3 alleged misconduct of any type?
- 4 • Have you ever had any adverse action taken on a professional certificate, license or
- 5 charter school registry by an agency other than the Oregon Teacher Standards and
- 6 Practices Commission? Have you ever been placed on probationary status for alleged
- 7 misconduct while holding a professional license, certificate, registration, or
- 8 credential by an agency other than the Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices
- 9 Commission?
- 10 • Have you ever surrendered a professional license of any kind before its expiration
- 11 date?
- 12 • Have you ever been disciplined by any public agency responsible for licensure of any
- 13 kind, including but not limited to educational licensure, other than discipline from
- 14 the Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission?

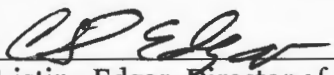
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17 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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 19 _____
 20 Alex P. Gold

11/25/2023

 Date

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 23 Cristina Edgar, Director of Professional Practices
 24 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

12/4/23

 Date

26 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

27 Alex P. Gold's conduct as described in section five (5) above, constitutes gross neglect of
 28 duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-
 29 020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*); OAR 584-020-0040(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-
 30 020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the dignity of the profession by respecting and obeying the law,*
 31 *exemplifying personal integrity and honesty*); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) (*Falsification of*
 32 *any document or knowing misrepresentation directly related to licensure, employment, or*
 33 *professional duties*)

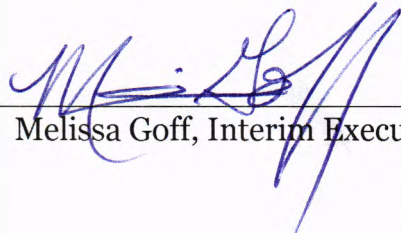
34 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
 35 342.175.

1 **FINAL ORDER**

2 The Commission hereby denies the application for Alex P. Gold and revokes Alex P.
3 Gold's right to apply for an Oregon educator license.

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5 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 2 day of February, 2024.

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7 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

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10 By: 
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12 Melissa Goff, Interim Executive Director

13 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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