



1 or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry of the  
2 Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that no promises or representation have been made  
3 to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) he has consulted with an attorney  
4 regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to his rights  
5 thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this  
6 Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

7 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

8 1. The Commission first licensed Ms. Petersen on August 2, 1984. Ms. Petersen's  
9 current Standard Teaching License, with an endorsement in Basic Social Studies (grades 5-12)  
10 and Standard Handicapped Learner (grades pre-kindergarten through 12) is valid through July  
11 12, 2015.


12 2. Ms. Petersen was employed as a high school special education teacher in the Sweet  
13 Home School District during all relevant times herein.

14 3. On or about June 10, 2009, Ms. Petersen disclosed information about a student that  
15 she felt needed prompt counseling assistance by sending an email to a mental health counselor  
16 she believed was counseling the student, but she did not have confirmation that the email  
17 recipient was in fact the student's counselor. The email recipient was in fact the student's  
18 counselor. Ms Petersen stated in the email that she did not have permission from the student's  
19 parents to share information with the student's counselor.

20 **IT IS SO STIPULATED AND AGREED TO:**

21   
22 Toni Kathleen Petersen

10/27/10  
Date

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24 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director  
25 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission  
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11-5-10  
Date

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**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

3 Ms. Petersen's conduct described in paragraph 3 above constitutes gross neglect of  
4 duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates 584-020-  
5 0010(5)(a) (use of professional judgment); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR  
6 584-020-0035(1)(a) (Keep the confidence entrusted in the profession as it relates to confidential  
7 information concerning a student and the student's family).

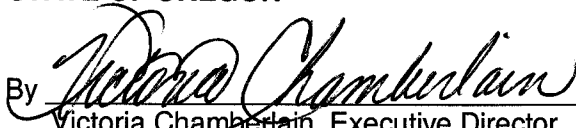
8 The Commission has the authority to impose discipline in this matter under ORS  
9 342.120 through 342.430 and OAR Chapter 584.

**FINAL ORDER**

11 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above finding of facts and  
12 conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand on Toni Kathleen  
13 Petersen. This Order shall serve as the Public Reprimand.

14 Issued and dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010.

15 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**  
16 **STATE OF OREGON**

17 By   
18 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director  
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