

1 regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to his rights
2 thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this
3 Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. This
4 stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the Commission. If the
5 Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Levin nor the Commission are bound by these
6 Stipulations and Levin retains all rights to a hearing on the allegations.

7 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 8 1. The Commission has licensed Jason Marc Levin since December 1, 2008. Levin currently
9 holds an Initial I Teaching License, with an endorsement in Technology Education, issued
10 December 1, 2008 and valid through February 4, 2011.
- 11 2. Between April and June of 2010 the Commission and the Beaverton School District received
12 complaints regarding Levin's personal political activities. The complaints specifically
13 reference opinions and suggestions on Levin's website, www.crashtheteparty.com,
14 dedicated to disrupting Tea Party political activities.
- 15 3. Following receipt of those complaints the Beaverton School District undertook an
16 investigation of Levin's computer use. The District discovered that between February and
17 April of 2010 Levin used school district computers to access Facebook and Twitter on nearly
18 a daily basis and during class time. The District also found that Levin accessed his political
19 web site from school district computers.
- 20 4. Levin initially denied using school district computers to work on the web site, but later
21 disclosed that, from school, he deleted site-related posts containing his personal
22 information, and created a document used in the site's construction, although the bulk of the
23 web site was created from his home computer. Levin asserts that any conflicting
24 statements he made were not intended to mislead or obfuscate.

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1 5. Levin's web site, www.crashtheteparty.com was on the internet for a total of two weeks.

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

3 Jason Levin
4 Jason Marc Levin

04/13/2011
Date

5 Victoria Chamberlain
6 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
7 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

4-6-11
Date

8 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

9 Jason Marc Levin used school district computers both to access Facebook and Twitter
10 web sites, and to work on his personal website dedicated to political activity. This conduct
11 constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as
12 it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use of professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-
13 0040(4)(a) (*Knowing and substantial unauthorized use of: school name or financial credit;*
14 *school materials or equipment for personal purposes; or school personnel to provide personal*
15 *services unrelated to school business*), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(b) (*Knowing and substantial*
16 *unauthorized use of employment time or school resources for private purposes*).

17 Levin gave conflicting statements about when he worked on the website to local news
18 agencies and the Beaverton School District when questioned about the issue. This conduct
19 constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as
20 it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use of professional judgment*).

21 The Commission has the authority to impose discipline in this matter under ORS 342.175
22 and OAR Chapter 584.

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1 **FINAL ORDER**

2 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and
3 conclusion of law, based thereon, hereby suspends the Initial I Teaching License of Jason Marc
4 Levin for six months.

5 Issued and dated this 16th day of May, 2011.

6 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**
7 **STATE OF OREGON**

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9 By 
10 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director