

1 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

2 1. On September 5, 2002, The Commission received a complete application for a
3 Transitional Teaching License from Matthew Taylor Rama.

4 2. Mr. Rama currently holds a South Dakota Teaching License issued October 3, 2000,
5 valid for five years.

6 3. Mr. Rama's criminal convictions in the State of Nebraska are:

7 1992 - Driving under the Influence, Minor in Possession, and Violation of Probation
8 (failure to attend an alcohol education class);

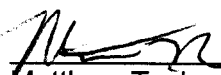
9 1993 - Disturbing the Peace;

10 1997 - Driving Under the Influence; and

11 1998 - Driving Under the Influence.

12 4. Mr. Rama declares that he has no prior or subsequent criminal convictions in any court
13 of law.

14 **IT IS SO STIPULATED:**

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Matthew Taylor Rama

15 10-07-02
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Date

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Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

17 10-11-02
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Date

19 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

20 Matthew Taylor Rama's criminal convictions constitute Gross Unfitness as defined in
21 OAR 580-020-0040(5)(c). Conviction of a crime may be used as evidence to establish an
22 applicant's lack of fitness to serve as an educator pursuant to ORS 342.143.

23 **ORDER**

24 The Commission adopts the above Findings of Fact and places Mr. Rama on probation
25 for three (3) years.

26 The Commission authorizes issuance of a Transitional Teaching License to Matthew
27 Taylor Rama subject to all standard terms and conditions and subject to the following special
28 terms of probation:

1 1. The Commission places Mr. Rama on a three (3) year probation to commence the issuance
2 date of a Transitional Teaching License.

3 2. The probation shall remain in effect subject to the following conditions:

4 a. Mr. Rama shall conduct him self as a law-abiding citizen;

5 b. Mr. Rama shall report in writing within ten days to the Executive Director of the
6 Commission any arrest or citation for any felony, misdemeanor, major traffic
7 violation;


8 c. Mr. Rama shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance
9 of Oregon Educators under OAR 584, Division 020.

10 Violation of any of the terms of probation shall constitute an independent basis for the
11 Commission to revoke Mr. Rama's teaching license or otherwise impose discipline, after first
12 providing Mr. Rama with notice and opportunity for hearing.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED this 11 day of October 2002.

14 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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16 By


Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

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