

1 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2 Morrell's convictions constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b);
3 OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional*
4 *judgment*); and OAR 584-020-0040(1)(m) (*ORS 163.415 –Sexual Abuse in the Third Degree*).
5 This conduct also constitutes gross unfitness in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(c); OAR 584-020-
6 0040(5)(e) (*Admission of or engaging in acts constituting criminal conduct, even in the*
7 *absence of a conviction*). Pursuant to ORS 342.175(2)(a) and OAR 584-020-0040(1) the
8 Commission will deny, revoke or deny the right to apply for a license or charter school
9 registration to any applicant or educator who, has been convicted of any of the crimes listed in
10 ORS 342.143.

11 Furthermore, the conduct underlying Morrell's convictions constitutes gross neglect of
12 duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-
13 020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(k) (*knowing violation of*
14 *any rule or order of the Commission*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(f) (*Any sexual conduct with a*
15 *student*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the*
16 *dignity of the profession by respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal integrity*
17 *and honesty*). The conduct underlying Morrell's convictions also constitutes gross unfitness in
18 violation of ORS 342.175(1)(c); OAR 584-020-0040(3)(a) and (d) as defined by OAR 584-020-
19 0040 (5) (*Gross unfitness is any conduct which renders an educator unqualified to perform his*
20 *or her professional responsibilities*).


21 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
22 342.175.

23 **FINAL ORDER**

24 The Commission hereby revokes the licensure of Michael Joseph Morrell and revokes
25 Morrell's right to apply for licensure.

26 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 23rd day of October, 2012.

27 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

28 By: 
29 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
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31 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing notice of final order, certified by me as such, by mailing U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail—Return Receipt Requested, addressed to:

Michael Joseph Morrell
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Dated this 23rd day of October, 2012.

By: 
Cristina Edgar
Investigator