

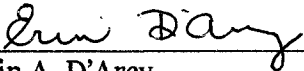
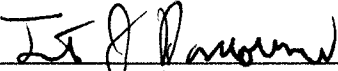


1 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 2 1. The Commission has licensed D’Arcy since January 9, 1989. D’Arcy’s Basic  
3 Teaching License, with endorsements in Basic Elementary (O16) and Basic  
4 Reading (O19), was valid from February 27, 2014, through February 26, 2017. On  
5 February 22, 2017, D’Arcy submitted an application for renewal, and her license  
6 status was stayed pending the outcome of the Commission’s investigation.  
7 Commission staff advised D’Arcy that her application was incomplete due to lack  
8 of required Professional Development Units (PDU), and she had until April 26,  
9 2018, to submit valid PDU’s to complete her application. On April 26, 2018,  
10 D’Arcy failed to submit the required PDUs, her application was closed, and her  
11 license expired.
- 12 2. On March 10, 2017, the Commission received a report from the Multnomah  
13 Education Service District (MESD) indicating D’Arcy may have committed an act  
14 of gross neglect of duty and/or gross unfitness. Specifically, that D’Arcy had  
15 submitted materials in support of her Professional Development Units (PDU’s)  
16 required for the renewal of D’Arcy’s Oregon Educator License that appeared  
17 altered and/or forged.
- 18 3. MESD’s review of the documents D’Arcy submitted for verification and approval  
19 as qualifying PDU’s indicate they had been fraudulently altered. A total of  
20 approximately sixteen separate submissions of various trainings and professional  
21 development courses appear to have been falsified. Investigation indicates that  
22 many of these certificates are purported to be from recent courses; however,  
23 these courses have not been available for many years and could not have been  
24 attended on the dates indicated on the documents. Inspection of the documents  
25 clearly show that the original dates had been changed, whited out, and written in  
26 by hand. Several of the certificates D’Arcy provided indicated the course was  
27 taught by providers that no longer instruct those classes and could not have  
28 taught the classes as indicated by the fraudulent / forged dates. In addition to the  
29 falsified certificates D’Arcy presented to MESD, D’Arcy also submitted a “Log of  
30 Professional Development Activities”. This log includes a line item listing of each  
31 of the falsified certificates D’Arcy provided to MESD. Investigation has  
32 determined D’Arcy’s submitted log is a false representation of D’Arcy’s PDU’s and  
33 was submitted in a fraudulent attempt to qualify for license renewal with the  
34 Commission.

1 4. D’Arcy provided an explanation, stating that around the time in question, her  
2 husband was ill and recovering from a stroke. D’Arcy was stressed and had  
3 requested that her husband go through her PDU folder and prepare the  
4 documents for her application. D’Arcy claims she failed to review her husband’s  
5 work prior to submitting the documents. D’Arcy understands she is responsible  
6 for the materials but attests she did not alter the documents, nor intentionally  
7 submit invalid materials.

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9 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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11  \_\_\_\_\_ 5/4/18  
12 Erin A. D’Arcy Date  
13  \_\_\_\_\_ 5/15/2018  
14 Trent Danowski, Deputy Director Date  
15 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission  
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18 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

19 The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS  
20 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use*  
21 *professional judgment*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) (*Falsification of any document or*  
22 *knowing misrepresentation directly related to licensure, employment, or professional*  
23 *duties*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(k) (*Violation of any order or rule of the Commission*);  
24 and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the dignity of the*  
25 *profession by respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal integrity and*  
26 *honesty*). This above conduct also constitutes gross unfitness in violation of ORS  
27 342.175(1)(c); OAR 584-020-0040(5)(b) (*Fraud or misrepresentation*).

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29 The Commission’s authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon  
30 ORS 342.175.

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1 **ORDER**

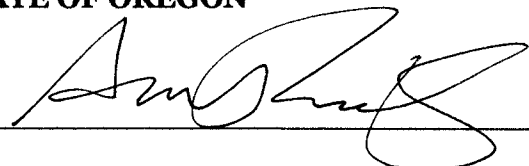
2 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and  
3 conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand on Erin A. D’Arcy’s  
4 Oregon educator licenses.

5 Furthermore, the Commission imposes a period of two (2) years of probation  
6 upon D’Arcy’s licensure to commence from the date D’Arcy’s Oregon educator license is  
7 reinstated and subject to the following conditions:

- 8 1. D’Arcy shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance  
9 of Oregon Educators under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 584, Division  
10 020.  
11 2. The Commission requires D’Arcy to complete Commission approved training  
12 related to Ethics and submit proof of completion prior to the termination of her  
13 probationary period.  
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15 Issued and dated this 20 day of June, 2018.

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

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19 By  \_\_\_\_\_

20 Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director

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