

## SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION	)	
CERTIFICATE OF	)	OPP No. D04-01-005
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MICHAEL WARME	)	ORDER OF PERMANENT
Certificate No. 200164B	)	REVOCATION
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COMES NOW the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), under the authority granted by the laws of the state of Washington, having reviewed the file of the above-referenced case, and having considered the entire evidence contained therein, does hereby permanently revoke the Washington education certificate, No. 200164B, of MICHAEL WARME, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- Michael Warme was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 200164B, on
   March 1, 1973. That certificate currently remains valid.
- 2. On July 1, 2003, the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), within OSPI, received information through the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) database, that the state of Illinois had taken action against Mr. Warme's Illinois Teaching Certificate.

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- 3. In November 2002, the States Attorney of Cook County, Illinois filed an Indictment/Information with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois charging Mr. Warme with two counts of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse of a Family Member (Illinois Criminal Code: 720-5/12-16 {B}) and two counts of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse, victim under thirteen (13) years old (Illinois Criminal Code 720-5/12-16 {C}).
- 4. On March 12, 2003, In the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Mr. Warme pled Guilty to, and was found Guilty of count one: Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse, victim under thirteen (13) years old. Mr. Warme pled not guilty to counts 002; 003; and 004 and was not prosecuted for those counts. Mr. Warme was sentenced to thirty (30) months probation and was required to register as a sex offender. This crime is similarly identified under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28A.410.090 (3). Such a plea or conviction authorizes OSPI to permanently revoke the education certificate of Mr. Warme.
- 5. On April 8, 2003, the Illinois Regional Superintendent of Schools, suspended Mr. Warme's Illinois Teaching Certificate until such time as the conviction of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse was to become final.
- 6. On July 8, 2003, the Illinois State Superintendent of Education revoked Mr. Warme's Illinois Teaching Certificate as a result of his conviction of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse.
- 7. On December 17, 2004, OPP sent a certified letter to Mr. Warme. The letter informed Mr. Warme of OPP's investigation and gave him ten business days to provide any information he

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wished to submit on his behalf. He signed for the certified letter December 27, 2004. Mr. Warme has not submitted any information to OPP to date of signature of this order.

8. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington education certificate.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Michael Warme and over the subject matter of this action.
- 2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington education certificate, No. 200164B, of Michael Warme, should be Permanently Revoked, as provided for in WAC 180-86-075 and RCW 28A.410.090.
- 3. Michael Warme has violated: WAC 180-86-013, WAC 180-86-014, and RCW 28A.410.090.

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## **ORDER**

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Washington education certificate, No. 200164B, of Michael Warme be Permanently Revoked.

DATED This 14 to day of January, 2005.

DR. TERRY BERGESON

Superintendent of Public Instruction

State of Washington

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