

## SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OF	,	OPP No. D02-10-109\
MARK ALLAN WATKINS Certificate No. 308024R	,	ORDER OF PERMANENT REVOCATION

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 propose to permanently revoke the Washington education certificate, No. 308024R, of Mark Allan Watkins, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

## FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Mark Allan Watkins was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 308024R, on July 11, 1991. That certificate currently remains valid.

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2. Mark Allan Watkins was employed by the Highline School District.

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- 3. On October 15, 2002, the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), within OSPI, received a complaint letter alleging a lack of good moral character or personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 180-87, by Mark Allan Watkins.
- 4. Mark Allan Watkins has plead guilty to a crime identified in Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28A.410.090(2). Such a plea or conviction authorizes OSPI to permanently revoke the education certificate.
- 5. On October 3, 2002, Mark Allan Watkins pled guilty to possessing depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, RCW 9.68A.070 in King County Superior Court.
- 6. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington education certificate.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Mark Allan Watkins and over the subject matter of this action.
- 2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington education certificate, No. 308024R, of Mark Allan Watkins, should be revoked, as provided for in WAC 180-86-075.

3. Mark Allan Watkins has violated WAC 180-87, WAC 180-86-013/014, and/or RCW 28A.410.090.

## **ORDER**

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Washington education certificate, No. 308024R, of Mark Allan Watkins be permanently revoked.

DATED This 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2002.

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State of Washington

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