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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D12-05-037
)	
Joseph Sartori)	FINAL ORDER OF
Certificate No. 467322D)	MANDATORY 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 permanently revoke the Washington Education Certificate, No. 467322D, of Joseph Sartori, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Joseph Sartori was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 467322D, on November 17, 2009. That certificate expired on June 30, 2012.

2. Joseph Sartori was employed as a substitute teacher by the Shelton School District.

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3. On May 22, 2012, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, did receive a complaint letter from the superintendent of the Shelton School District alleging a lack of personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 181-87, by Joseph Sartori.

4. Between July 1, 2011 and March 2, 2012, Joseph Sartori set up a motion activated, hidden camera in the dressing room/bathroom at his place of employment, the Capital Playhouse Theater, in Olympia, WA. The dressing room/bathroom is an area where a person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy.

5. Between July 1, 2011 and March 2, 2012, at least one female employee of the Capital Playhouse was video-recorded in varying states of undress. Images of at least one female employee, B.B., in the nude were captured by the video surveillance equipment and recorded onto Joseph Sartori's personal computer. B.B. was unaware that the video camera recording equipment had been placed in the dressing room/bathroom and had not given permission to Joseph Sartori to video-record her while she was dressing and undressing.

6. Between July 1, 2011 and March 2, 2012, Joseph Sartori viewed images of B.B. while the employee/s were nude or partially nude for purposes of arousing his sexual desire.

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7. On March 1, 2012, while using Joseph Sartori's work computer, B.B. and another employee discovered the video images of B.B. in the dressing room/bathroom. B.B. then discovered the video camera recording equipment in the dressing room disguised as a wall plug-in adapter and removed it. B.B. also removed the images from Joseph Sartori's computer and placed them onto her personal thumb drive. B.B. and the other employee contacted the Olympia Police Department on March 2, 2012.

8. On March 2, 2012, Joseph Sartori was arrested after an investigation by the Olympia Police Department; Olympia Police Department case: #12-1457.

9. On March 2, 2012, a Declaration of Prosecutor Supporting Probable Cause and a Determination of Probable Cause to File Information and Order Authorizing Summons or Detention were filed in the Thurston County Superior Court; Cause No: 12-1-00285-5.

10. On March 5, 2012, an Information was filed in the Thurston County Superior Court, Cause No: 12-1-00285-5, charging Joseph Sartori with Voyeurism, Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 9A.44.115(2)(a) or (b).

11. On November 29, 2012, a Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law Following Bench Trial and Judgment and Sentence were filed in the Thurston County Superior Court finding Joseph Sartori guilty of Voyeurism; Thurston County Superior Court Cause No: 12-1-00285-5.

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12. On November 30, 2012, the OPP sent correspondence to Joseph Sartori giving him the opportunity to respond to the allegations with a deadline of December 17, 2012. Joseph Sartori did not respond.

13. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington Education Certificate.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Joseph Sartori and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate No. 467322D, of Joseph Sartori, should be revoked for unprofessional conduct and/or lack of good moral character or personal fitness. RCW 28A.410.090; WAC 181-86-075; WAC 181-86-013; WAC 181-86-014.

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ORDER

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 467322D,
of Joseph Sartori be permanently revoked.

DATED This 27 day of February 2013.

RANDY I. DORN
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington



Alan Burke, Ed. D
Deputy Superintendent
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