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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)
CERTIFICATE OF)

OPP No. D12-09-062

Darrell Lang)
Certificate No. 217660J)

FINAL ORDER)
OF REVOCATION)

COMES NOW Gene Sharratt, Review Officer of the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), having reviewed the files of the above-referenced case, and having considered the arguments of each party and the recommendation of the Admissions and Professional Conduct Advisory Committee, does hereby revoke the Washington Education Certificate, No. 217660J, of Darrell Lang, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Darrell Lang was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 217660J, on August 13, 1976. That certificate currently remains valid.
2. Darrell Lang is employed by the Bickleton School District.

I, Stella Lugalia certify that on 5/14/2013, I mailed a copy of this document, certified & postage prepaid, to all parties or their counsel of record. I certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the state of Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct

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3. On September 10, 2012, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, did receive a complaint letter from the superintendent of the Wishram School District alleging a lack of personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 181-87, by Darrell Lang.

4. During the 1982-1983 school year, while employed at Wishram School District, Darrell Lang had inappropriate interactions and an inappropriate relationship with R.G., a 16 year old, female high school student.

5. During the 1982-1983 school year, Darrell Lang had sexual contact, including sexual intercourse with R.G.

6. On December 13, 1982, Darrell Lang resigned his position due to personal reasons.

7. On December 22, 1982, Darrell Lang signed a Voluntary Quit Statement while applying for unemployment benefits through the Employment Security Department (ESD) in which he stated, "My reason for quitting arose from the fact that as a teacher the school board and my principal felt my being in love with one of my students was not appropriate so to further save face and possible being fired, I voluntarily resigned. I love this girl very much but find myself in a conflicting situation where I felt the only thing I could do was to resign and find employment in some other dist so that I may still see my girl friend".

8. On January 7, 1983, a Determination Notice was issued from the ESD denying Darrell Lang unemployment compensation. Darrell Lang appealed that decision on January 11, 1983.

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9. On February 14, 1983, the Office of Administrative Hearings held an administrative hearing regarding the unemployment benefits of Darrell Lang. The determination to deny unemployment benefits was made and mailed to Darrell Lang on February 16, 1983.

10. During the 1986-1987 school year, Darrell Lang served as a substitute teacher at the Wapato School District, Selah School District, Union Gap School District, West Valley School District, Moxee School District and Yakima School District.

11. In August, 1988, Darrell Lang applied for employment in the Bickleton School District. Darrell Lang, during an OPP interview, stated that he informed the interview panel the reason that he resigned from Wishram School District.

12. In September, 1988, Darrell Lang began teaching at Bickleton School District.

13. On February 7, 2013, Darrell Lang participated in an interview with an OPP investigator. Darrell Lang's signed statement was returned to OPP on February 27, 2013.

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Darrell Lang and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate No. 217660J, of Darrell Lang, should be revoked for unprofessional conduct and/or lack of good moral character or personal fitness. RCW 28A.410.090; WAC 181-86-013; WAC 181-86-014.

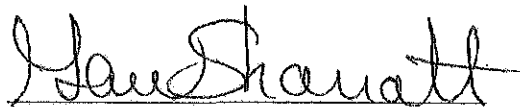
ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 217660, of Darrell Lang be revoked.

This Order will become final thirty (30) calendar days from the date of receipt of this order unless respondent files an appeal for a formal hearing before the Office of Administrative Hearings. Please direct the appeal and request for formal hearing to Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Administrative Resource Services, Old Capitol Building, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504-7200.

DATED this 14th day of November 2013.

RANDY DORN
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington



DR. GENE SHARRATT
Review Officer

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