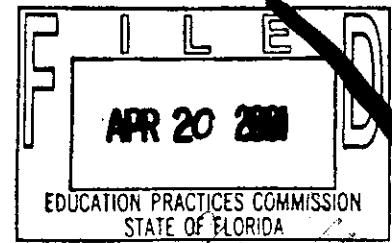


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## Before the Education Practices Commission of the State of Florida

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EDUCATION PRACTICES COMMISSION  
STATE OF FLORIDA

TOM GALLAGHER, as  
Commissioner of Education,

Petitioner,

vs.

EPC CASE N° 00-0737 -RT  
DOAH CASE N° 00-3718PL *LMK*  
EPC INDEX N° 01- 081 -FOF

VICTORIA LAUBACH

Respondent.

### Final Order

THIS MATTER was heard by a Teacher Panel of the Education Practices Commission pursuant to Sections 231.261(8) and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, on March 30, 2001, in Tampa, Florida, for consideration of the Recommended Order entered in this case by Linda M. Rigot, Administrative Law Judge, dated January 22, 2001.

Petitioner filed *Petitioner's Exceptions to Recommended Order* which Exceptions were considered and denied by the Panel. After reviewing the complete record accompanying the Recommended Order, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, the Panel hereby adopts the findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendation contained in the Recommended Order, and said Recommended Order, a copy of which is attached and made a part hereof, is hereby adopted in full and becomes the Final Order of the Education Practices Commission and the counts and allegations of misconduct set forth in the Administrative Complaint are hereby DISMISSED.

This Order takes effect upon filing with the Clerk of the Education Practices Commission.

DONE AND ORDERED, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001.

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**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW**

A PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS FINAL ORDER IS ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.68, FLORIDA STATUTES. REVIEW PROCEEDINGS ARE GOVERNED BY THE FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE. SUCH PROCEEDINGS ARE COMMENCED BY FILING ONE COPY OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE EDUCATION PRACTICES COMMISSION AND A SECOND COPY, ACCOMPANIED BY FILING FEES PRESCRIBED BY LAW, WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST DISTRICT, OR WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL IN THE APPELLATE DISTRICT WHERE THE PARTY RESIDES. THE NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF RENDITION OF THIS ORDER.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing Order in the matter of Gallagher vs. Laubach, was furnished to Victoria Laubach, 4601 Southwest 42<sup>nd</sup> Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314, by Certified U.S. Mail, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001.

Kathleen M. Richards  
KATHLEEN RICHARDS, Clerk