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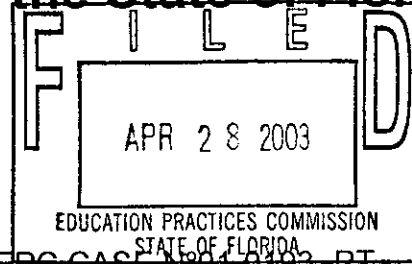
# Before the Education Practices Commission of the State of Florida

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DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

AT



CHARLIE CRIST, as  
Commissioner of Education,

Petitioner,

vs.

LIBORIO J. MEJIA,

Respondent.

~~EPC CASE N° 01-0193 -RT~~  
DOAH CASE N° 02-2909PL  
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## Final Order

This matter was heard by a Teacher Panel of the Education Practices Commission (EPC) on April 10, 2003, in Tampa, Florida, for consideration of the Recommended Order entered in this case by Florence Snyder Rivas, Administrative Law Judge, dated February 6, 2003. A copy of the Recommended Order is attached and made a part hereof. Neither party filed exceptions to the Recommended Order.

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

It is, therefore, ORDERED that the Respondent's Florida Educators certificate is hereby SUSPENDED for a period of 90 days from the effective date of this order and that as a condition to employment in a position requiring a Florida Educator's Certificate, Respondent shall provide written verification from a Recovery Network for Educators approved Florida licensed psychologist, psychiatrist or mental health counselor that Respondent poses no threat to children and is capable of assuming the responsibilities of an educator

This Order becomes effective upon filing with the Clerk of the Education Practices Commission.

DONE AND ORDERED, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003.

Margaret Wolfe  
MARGARET WOLFE, Presiding Officer

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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 Crist vs. Mejia was furnished to David S. Abrams, Attorney at Law, 9400 S. Dadeland Boulevard, PH-3, Miami, FL 33156, by U.S. Mail, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003.

Kathleen M. Richards

KATHLEEN RICHARDS, Clerk