



Before the Education Practices Commission of the State of Florida

DR. ERIC J. SMITH,
Commissioner of Education,

Petitioner,

vs.

ERIC FERRIER,

Respondent



EPC CASE N° 11-0348-RT

DOAH CASE N° 11-4424PL

INDEX N° 12-170-FOF

PPS N° 090-2515

CERTIFICATE N° 864022

Final Order

This matter was heard by a Teacher Panel of the Education Practices Commission pursuant to Sections 1012.795, 1012.796 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, on May 3, 2012, in Orlando, Florida, for consideration of the Recommended Order entered in this case by Thomas P. Crapps, Administrative Law Judge dated March 9, 2012, . Respondent was not present.

Respondent filed a document that purported to be exceptions to the Recommended Order. The Commission declined to rule on the exceptions for failure to meet the statutory requirements as to form and because the document was not timely filed. After reviewing the complete record accompanying the Recommended Order, the Recommended Order, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission hereby adopts the findings of fact, (paragraphs 1-22), conclusions of law, (paragraphs 23-38), and the recommendation contained in the Recommended Order. A copy of the Recommended Order, attached to 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:

1. Respondent's Florida educator's certificate is hereby revoked for a period of Two (2) years.

2. Upon employment in any public or private position requiring a Florida educator's certificate, Respondent shall be placed on 3 employment years of probation with the conditions that during that period, he shall:

A. Immediately notify the investigative office in the Department of Education upon employment or termination of employment in the state in any public or private position requiring a Florida educator's certificate.

B. Have Respondent's immediate supervisor submit annual performance reports to the investigative office in the Department of Education.

C. Pay to the Commission during the first 6 months of each probation year the administrative costs (\$150) of monitoring probation assessed to the educator.

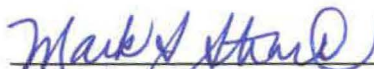
D. Violate no law and shall fully comply with all district school board policies, school rules, and State Board of Education rules.

E. Satisfactorily perform all assigned duties in a competent, professional manner.

F. Bear all costs of complying with the terms of a final order entered by the Commission.

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

DONE AND ORDERED, this 22nd day of **May**, 2012.



MARK STRAUSS, Presiding Officer

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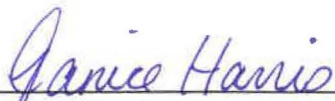
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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

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 was furnished by certified mail to Eric Ferrier, 6846 81st Avenue North, Pinellas Park, Florida 33781; and by electronic mail to Margaret O'Sullivan Parker, Deputy General Counsel, Suite 1232, Turlington Building, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400 and Ron Weaver, Esquire, P.O. Box 5675, Douglasville, Georgia 30154 this **24th** day of **May**, 2012.



Janice Harris,
Education Practices Commission