

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

GERARD ROBINSON, Commissioner of Education,

Petitioner,

VS.

JANA MARIE LANTZ,

Respondent

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EPC CASE Nº 12-0126-RT DOAH CASE Nº 12-1501PL INDEX Nº 13-088-FOF PPS Nº 101-2391 CERTIFICATE Nº 725822

## **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 February 1, 2013 in Gainesville and for partial reconsideration *sua sponte* on April 4, 2013, in Altamonte Springs, Florida, for consideration of the Recommended Order entered in this case by Claude B. Arrington, Administrative Law Judge, dated November 7, 2012. Respondent was present on April 4, 2013.

Respondent filed exceptions to the Recommended Order. The exceptions and Petitioner's response are attached. After reviewing the record, the Exceptions, Petitioner's response, and after due consideration, the Commission rejected exception 1, based on Respondent's failure to cite to the record in the exception. The Commission rejected exception 2, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 3, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order because inferences from the testimony are permissible. The

Commission rejected exception 4, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 5, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 6, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 7, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 8, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 9, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 10, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 11, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 12, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 13, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order. The Commission rejected exception 14, finding that there is competent and substantial evidence to support the findings of fact in the Recommended Order.

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 1-19) and conclusions of law, (paragraphs 20-41),

and the recommendation contained in the Recommended Order. A copy of the Recommended Order, attached to and made a part hereof, is hereby adopted and becomes part of the Final Order of the Education Practices Commission.

## It is therefore **ORDERED** that:

- 1. Respondent's Florida educator's certificate is hereby suspended for a period of one year from the date of the Final Order.
- 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, she 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.
- G. Provide written verification from an RNP approved, licensed Florida provider that the educator poses no threat to children and is capable of assuming the responsibilities of

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an educator.

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

DONE AND ORDERED, this 24th day of April, 2013.

AVID R. THOMPSON, 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. 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.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing Order was furnished to Jana Marie Lantz, Post Office Box 99, Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania 16316 by Certified U.S. Mail 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 to Charles Whitelock, Esquire, 300 SE 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316 this **26**<sup>th</sup> day of **April**, 2013.

Janice Harris

**Education Practices Commission**