

Before the Education Practices Commission of the State of Florida

RICHARD CORCORAN, Commissioner of Education,

Petitioner,

VS.

LISA CAMACHO SZETO,

Respondent.



EPC CASE No. 21-0099-RT Index No. 21-295-FOF DOAH CASE No. 21-1145PL PPS No. 189-1028 CERTIFICATE No. 1124072

Final Order

This matter was heard by a Teacher Hearing Panel of the Education Practices Commission pursuant to Sections 1012.795, 1012.796 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, on September 21, 2021, in Altamonte Springs, Florida for consideration of the Recommended Order entered in this case on July 15, 2021, by LINZIE F. BOGAN, Administrative Law Judge. Respondent was not present but was represented by Carol R. Buxton, Esq, who was present. Petitioner was represented by Bonnie Wilmot, Esquire. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a copy of the Recommended Order.

Findings of Fact

1. The findings of fact set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.

2. There is competent substantial evidence to support the findings of fact.

Conclusions of Law

- 3. The Education Practices Commission has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, and Chapter 1012, Florida Statutes.
- 4. The conclusions of law set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.

Recommended Penalty

5. The Education Practices Commission voted to accept the penalty in the Recommended Order.

Penalty

Upon a complete review of the record in this case, the Commission determines that the Recommended Order issued by the Administrative Law Judge be ACCEPTED. It is therefore **ORDERED** that:

- Respondent's certificate is hereby SUSPENDED for a period of two days, specifically September 27, and 28, 2021.
- 7. Upon employment in any public or private position requiring a Florida educator's certificate, Respondent shall be placed on two (2) calendar years of **PROBATION**, commencing on the date this Final Order is filed, with the conditions that during that period, the Respondent 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. Attend and successfully complete, at her expense, training related to the abuse reporting obligation under section 1012.795(1)(b), F.S.
- 8. Respondent is assessed an administrative fine of \$480.00 to be paid within one year from the date of the Final Order.

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

DONE AND **ORDERED**, this 14th day of October, 2021.

ANN COPENHAVER, Presiding Officer

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 mailed to Lisa Camacho Szeto, P.O. Box 69-0421, Orlando, FL 32869 and Carol R. Buxton, Esq., Florida Education Association, 1516 East Hillcrest Street, Suite 109, Orlando, FL 32803 by Certified U.S. Mail; and by electronic mail to Bonnie Wilmot, Deputy General Counsel, bonnie.wilmot@fldoe.org; this 14th day of Occtober, 2021.

Faith Lenzo, Clerk

Education Practices Commission

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