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RE: Nathan Piturachsatit

> OSPI Case Number: D17-03-022 Document: Permanent Revocation

Regarding your request for information about the above-named educator; attached is a true and correct copy of the document on file with the State of Washington, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Office of Professional Practices. These records are considered certified by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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The following information has been withheld: None

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D17-03-022
NATHAN PITURACHSATIT Certificate No. 390156H)	FINAL ORDER OF MANDATORY PERMANENT REVOCATION

After receiving and investigating a complaint from Grand Coulee Dam School District ("School District") regarding the above referenced educator, and based upon the facts available as of the date of this Proposed Order, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, through his undersigned designee, institutes this proceeding and finds, as described below, that NATHAN PITURACHSATIT ("Educator") engaged in acts of unprofessional conduct to include WAC 181-86-013(2), and does hereby PERMANENTLY REVOKE the Educator's Washington Education Certificate No. 390156H, pursuant to RCW 28A.410.090(4)(c), based on the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On August 8, 2001, the Educator was issued Washington Education Certificate, No. 390156H. On August 5, 2015, the Educator was issued a Residency Administrator Certificate. That certificate does not have an expiration date.
- 2. During the 2015–2016 school year, the Educator was the Assistant Principal for Lake Roosevelt Elementary School in the Grand Coulee Dam School District.

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- 3. From approximately December 15, 2015, until January 8, 2016, the Educator communicated with a fourteen-year-old student on the social media website Instagram. The student lived in Wisconsin.
- 4. The Educator used the Instagram username of "NATE_PIT." He told the student that he was nineteen years old.
- 5. The student informed the Educator that she was fourteen years old. She also told the Educator she was in her first year of high school.
- 6. The Educator sent the student images of his face and penis, and he also sent her videos of him masturbating. The Educator requested inappropriate images from the fourteen-year-old student. The student sent the Educator approximately twenty images that met the definition of child pornography under federal law.
- 7. On or about January 8, 2016, the student's mother called the local police department to report that her fourteen-year-old daughter received a gift from Pink, a Victoria's Secret sister store. The gift had been purchased by the Educator and mailed to the student.
- 8. Officer Melton from Janesville Police Department in Wisconsin interviewed the fourteenyear-old student, and she showed the police officer the conversations and picture exchanges she had with the Educator.
- 9. On February 3, 2016, search warrants were obtained and executed against the Educator. The Educator was advised of his *Miranda* rights, which he waived, and admitted to receiving images constituting child pornography and to communicating with a minor.
- 10. On April 20, 2016, an Indictment was filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington at Spokane, Cause # 2:16-CR-71-SMJ.

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- 11. On November 29, 2016, the Educator executed a plea agreement by entering a plea of guilty for the criminal charge of Receipt of Material Constituting or Containing Child Pornography under 18 U.S.C. §2252(a)(2).
- 12. On March 13, 2017, the Educator was sentenced to eighty-four (84) months imprisonment in the custody of the United States Federal Bureau of Prisons.
- 13. The Educator has been offered an opportunity to respond to the allegations of misconduct, as per RCW 28A.410.090. As of the date of this Order, the Educator has not responded to the Office of Professional Practices.
- 14. The Educator has pleaded guilty or has been convicted of a crime listed in RCW 28A.410.090(4). Such a plea or conviction authorizes OSPI to permanently revoke Education Certificate No. 390156H, of Nathan Piturachsatit.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Chapter 28A.410 RCW gives the Professional Educator Standards Board the authority to develop regulations determining eligibility for and certification of personnel employed in the common schools of the state of Washington. The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction ("OSPI") acts as the administrator of those statutes and regulations and has the authority to issue, reprimand, suspend, and revoke education certificates. RCW 28A.410.010; RCW 28A.410.090. Chapters 181-86 and 181-87 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) further implement OPSI's authority.
- 2. OSPI has jurisdiction over the Educator and the subject matter discussed herein.
- 3. The Educator has demonstrated a lack of good moral character and personal fitness pursuant to WAC 181-86-013.

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- 4. There is clear and convincing evidence that the Educator has demonstrated a lack of good moral character and personal fitness. WAC 181-86-175.
- 5. Pursuant to WAC 181-86-080 eleven (11) factors, at a minimum, are to be considered to determine the appropriate level and range of educator discipline:
 - 1. The seriousness of the act(s) and the actual or potential harm to persons or property;
 - 2. The person's criminal history including the seriousness and amount of activity;
 - 3. The age and maturity level of participant(s) at the time of the activity;
 - 4. The proximity or remoteness of time in which the acts occurred;
 - 5. Any activity that demonstrates a disregard for health, safety or welfare;
 - 6. Any activity that demonstrates a behavioral problem;
 - 7. Any activity that demonstrates a lack of fitness;
 - 8. Any information submitted regarding discipline imposed by any governmental or private entity as a result of acts or omissions;
 - 9. Any information submitted that demonstrates aggravating or mitigating circumstances;
 - 10. Any information submitted to support character and fitness; and
 - 11. Any other relevant information submitted.
- 6. Based on the foregoing facts and considering them in light of the eleven factors enumerated in WAC 181-86-080, and in light of WAC 181-86-075 (Grounds for Issuance of an Order of Revocation), RCW 28A.410.090(4)(c), WAC 181-86-013, and WAC 181-86-014, Nathan Piturachsatit's education certificate should be permanently revoked for unprofessional conduct and a felony sex offense.

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III. ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 390156H, of NATHAN PITURACHSATIT be PERMANENTLY REVOKED.

CHRIS REYKDAL
Superintendent of Public Instruction

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