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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D10-06-037
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Darrell Wright)	FINAL ORDER
Certificate No. 220018F)	OF REVOCATION
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COMES NOW the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), under the authority granted by the laws of the state of Washington, having reviewed the file of the above-referenced case, and having considered the entire evidence contained therein, does hereby revoke the Washington Education Certificate, No. 220018F, of Darrell Wright, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Darrell Wright was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 220018F, on November 23, 1976.
- 2. On April 30, 2010, the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), within OSPI, received information thought the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) database, that the state of California had taken action against Darrell Wright's California Teaching Certificate.

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- 3. Darrel Wright, from November 2006 through January 2007, made multiple attempts to contact A.L., an 18 year old high school female, through in-person contacts, phone calls, and written correspondence.
- 4. On November 12, 2006, Darrell Wright went to the Lyons' residence and demanded to see A.L. The Lyons' contacted the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office and a deputy sheriff contacted Darrell Wright and advised him to stop attempting contact with A.L.
- 5. On November 15, 2006, a <u>Notice of Hearing and Temporary Restraining Order</u> were filed in Santa Barbara Superior Court, ordering Darrell Wright to have no contact or harass A.L.'s family; Santa Barbara Superior Court No. 01242121.
- 6. On November 16, 2007, the Lyons' received a letter from Darrell Wright; which stated, among other comments, that he had received the restraining order.
- 7. On November 16, 2007, the Lyons' contacted the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office to report the violation of restraining order and allegations of stalking; Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Case No 06-21167.
- 8. On November 22, 2006, a Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office detective initiated a investigation into possible stalking of A.L. by Darrell Wright; Case No. 06-23010.

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- 9. On November 28, 2006, a <u>Misdemeanor Complaint</u> was filed in Santa Barbara County Superior Court charging Darrell Wright with Disobeying a Court Order, in violation of Penal Code Section 166(a)(4); Santa Barbara County Superior Court No. 1216273, DA No. 06-11-164420.
- 10. On November 30, 2006, Darrell Wright was arrested by the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Department on an outstanding warrant out of Santa Barbara Municipal Court; Warrant No. R112206. At the time of his arrest, Darrell Wright was sleeping in his vehicle in close proximity to the Lyons' residence at Dr.; Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Case No. 06-21902.
- 11. On December 7, 2006, in Santa Barbara County Superior Court, Darrell Wright pleaded guilty to Disobeying a Court Order; Case No. 1216273.
 - 12. On December 16, 2006, the Lyons' received letters from Darrell Wright that, in part, discussed A.L.
 - 13. On December 19, 2006, a <u>Restraining Order After Hearing to Stop Harassment</u>, was filed in Santa Barbara Superior Court, ordering Darrell Wright to stay away from the Lyons' family and their residences; Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 01242121.
 - 14. On January 5, 2007, the Lyons' received a letter from Darrell Wright; Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Case No. 07-00382.

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- 15. On January 6, 2007, a Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Deputy contacted Darrell Wright approximately thirty yards from A.L.'s residence; Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Case No. 07-292.
- 16. On January 8, 2007, A <u>Warrant of Arrest</u> was issued for Darrell Wright who was subsequently was arrested by the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Department for the following charges:

 1) Stalking (646.9PC), 2) Violation of Court Order (166.4 PC), and 3) Violation of Probation (1203.2 PC); Santa Barbara DE Case No. 06-23010.
- 17. On January 10, 2007, a <u>Felony Complaint</u> was filed in Santa Barbara County Superior Court charging Darrell Wright with Stalking, Penal Code Section 646.9(a); DA No. 07-01-167511, Court No. 1217252.
- 18. On January 19, 2007, a <u>Misdemeanor Complaint</u> was filed in Santa Barbara Superior Court charging Darrell Wright with Disobeying Court Order, Penal Code Section 166(a)(4); Case No. 1217555.
- 19. On January 31, 2007, Darrell Wright was arraigned in Santa Barbara Superior Court for Violation of Probation; Santa Barbara Superior Case No. 1216273. As a result of the hearing, Darrell Wright's probation from Case No. 1216273 was revoked.

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- 20. On February 7, 2007, Darrell Wright pleaded "No Contest" to 2 Counts of violating PC166.4 (Violation of Court Order) and was sentenced; Case No. 1217252. Case No. 1217555 was dismissed. A Probation Violation Sentencing Hearing was also held for Case No. 1216273.
- 21. On March 23, 2009, the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing issued an investigative report to the Members of the Committee of Credentials regarding Darrell Wright.
- 22. On October 8, 2009, Dale A. Janssen, Executive Director of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, in Sacramento, CA, issued a letter to Darrell Wright, informing him that his teaching credentials, life diplomas or other certification documents under the jurisdiction of the Commission had been revoked.
- 23. On July 28, 2010, per RCW 28A.410.090, OPP gave Darrell Wright the opportunity to submit a statement regarding this investigation, however Darrell Wright has not responded.
- 24. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington Education Certificate.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Darrell Wright and over the subject matter of this action.
- 2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence, that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 220018F, of Darrell Wright, should be revoked as provided for in WAC 181-86-075.
- 3. Darrell Wright has violated RCW 28A.410.090, WAC 181-86-013, and/or WAC 181-86-014.

ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 220018F, of Darrell Wright be revoked.

DATED This 29th day of November 2010.

RANDY I. DORN

Superintendent of Public Instruction

State of Washington

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