In the matter of the certificate of: William P. Taylor,
Respondent

Case No. 2161721931

The Chief Certification Officer for the State of Idaho filed an Administrative Complaint against the educator certificate issued to William P. Taylor, seeking for the Professional Standards Commission to impose discipline on Mr. Taylor’s certificate. See Idaho Code § 33-1209. Because Mr. Taylor did not request a hearing within 30 days, and because Mr. Taylor was determined to be in default by a hearing/presiding officer, the allegations in the Administrative Complaint are treated as admitted, Idaho Code § 33-1209(3), and are incorporated by reference as findings of fact.

Based on these findings, the Professional Standards Commission concludes that Mr. Taylor willfully violated the following principles of the Code of Ethics adopted by the State Board of Education. Idaho Code § 33-1208(1)(j).

The Commission specifically holds that Mr. Taylor’s conduct or course of conduct willfully violated Mr. Taylor’s conduct or course of conduct violated Idaho Code § 33-1208(1)(j) (“Conviction, finding of guilt, withheld judgment, or suspended sentence, in this state or any other state of any felony, the commission of which renders the certificated person unfit to teach or otherwise perform the duties of the certificated person’s position.”).

1. Mr. Taylor’s conduct or course of conduct willfully violated a principle of the code of ethics that was adopted by the Idaho State Board of Education. Idaho Code § 33-1208(1)(j) (“Willful violation of any professional code or standard of ethics or conduct, adopted by the state
board of education”). Specifically, Mr. Taylor violated Code of Ethics Principle X (Idaho Admin. Code r. 08.02.02.076.11.a) (“Any conduct that seriously impairs the Certificate holder’s ability to teach or perform his professional duties.”).

Under Idaho Code § 33-1208, the Professional Standards Commission orders that the following discipline (as marked) be imposed on Mr. Taylor’s certificate:

**As requested in the Administrative Complaint**

× The discipline requested by the Chief Certification Officer in her Request for Relief in the Administrative Complaint.

**Other discipline**

_____ Mr. Taylor’s certificate is revoked.

_____ Mr. Taylor’s certificate is permanently revoked under Idaho Code § 33-1208(2).

_____ Mr. Taylor’s certificate is suspended for ______ years ______ months

_____ Mr. Taylor’s certificate is suspended indefinitely pending completion of the following conditions:
1. ____________________________
2. ____________________________
3. ____________________________
4. ____________________________

_____ Mr. Taylor’s certificate has the following conditions placed upon it.
1. ____________________________
2. ____________________________
3. ____________________________
4. ____________________________

_____ A letter of reprimand will be placed in Mr. Taylor’s permanent certification file.

This Order is effective on the day it is signed. This Order and the Administrative Complaint, which will be attached to this Order, are public records, and may be made available on
the State Department of Education or the Commission's website.

Dated this 24th day of November, 2020.

Elisa Saffle, Member
Idaho Professional Standards Commission
RECONSIDERATION AND JUDICIAL REVIEW

This is a final order of the Professional Standards Commission. Any party may file a motion for reconsideration of this order within 14 days of the service date of this order. The agency will dispose of the petition for reconsideration within 21 days of its receipt; if not, the petition will be denied as a matter of law. See Idaho Code § 67-5246. Petitions for reconsideration may be filed by mail addressed to the Professional Standards Commission, State Department of Education, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0027, or hand delivered to the Commission at 650 West State Street, Second Floor, Boise, ID 83720.

Any party aggrieved by this final order or orders previously issued in this case may seek judicial review of the orders in this case in district court. A party may do this by filing a petition for judicial review in the district court as provided in Idaho Code §§ 67-5270 and 67-5272. The petition must be filed within 28 days of the service date of this final order; or, if a motion for reconsideration is filed, within 28 days of the service of a decision on the motion for reconsideration or denial of the motion as a matter of law. Idaho Code § 67-5273. The filing of a petition for judicial review does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the agency action. Idaho Code § 67-5274.

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William P. Taylor
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 20th day of November, 2020, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

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