

IN THE MATTER OF THE TEACHERS ACT, SBC 2011 c. 19

AND

IN THE MATTER CONCERNING CHRISTOPHER JAY LEVEILLE

CONSENT RESOLUTION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

THE COMMISSIONER, APPOINTED UNDER THE *TEACHERS ACT* (the "Commissioner")

AND:

CHRISTOPHER JAY LEVEILLE

("Leveille")

BACKGROUND and FACTS

- Leveille holds a valid Professional Certificate of Qualification, No.
 It was issued by the B.C. College of Teachers under the *Teaching Profession Act* on October 4, 1991, is valid from September 1, 1991, and was continued under the *Teachers Act* as of January 9, 2012.
- At all material times, Leveille was employed as a secondary school teacher by School District No. 39 (Vancouver) (the "District") at a school in the District (the "School").
- On July 22, 2024, the District made a report to the Commissioner regarding Leveille, under section 16 of the School Act.
- 4. On December 21, 2023, the following events happened:
 - a. Leveille arrived at School in the morning, carrying a model of a rifle. The stock and handle of this model were made of wood and the barrel was made of a metal pipe. It

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had the appearance of a vintage rifle. District policy prohibits students from possessing, using or displaying any replica weapon on school property or at a school event.

- b. A person who saw Leveille carrying this model gun into the School called 911. Police attended. The School was locked down while the emergency response team searched for the person with the gun. Two other District schools in the area were locked down and a "hold and secure" order was in place at another District school. Students and staff at the School were impacted. Local transit service was also impacted.
- c. Leveille says he intended to use the model to demonstrate warfare strategies in the 1700's in a Social Studies 9 class.
- 5. Leveille retired from his employment with the District, effective July 1, 2024.
- On October 4, 2024, the Commissioner determined to propose a consent resolution agreement to Leveille, in accordance with section 53(1)(a) of the *Teachers Act*.

CONSEQUENCES

- 7. This Agreement is made under section 53 of the Teachers Act.
- Leveille understands and acknowledges that this Agreement is not effective until executed by the Commissioner, and that the date of execution by the Commissioner will be the effective date of this Agreement (the "Effective Date").
- 9. Leveille admits that the facts set out in paragraphs 1 to 5 of this Agreement are true.
- Leveille admits that the conduct described in paragraph 4 of this Agreement constitutes
 professional misconduct and is contrary to Standards #land 2 of the *Professional Standards for BC Educators*, June 2019.
- Leveille agrees to a three-week suspension of his certificate of qualification under sections 53 and 64(b) of the *Teachers Act*, from November 1, 2025 to November 23, 2025, inclusive.
- 12. In determining that a three-week suspension is an appropriate consequence, the Commissioner considered the following factors:
 - a. Leveille acted contrary to his responsibility as a role model for students.
 - In carrying a model rifle in a school, Leveille created a situation which he should have known could create fear and panic.

Leveille agrees not to make any statement orally or in writing which contradicts, disputes
or calls into question the terms of this Agreement or the admissions made in it.

EFFECT OF THE AGREEMENT

- The Director of Certification will record the terms of this Agreement on the online registry
 of the Ministry of Education and Child Care, under section 79(d) of the Teachers Act.
- Leveille acknowledges that this Agreement will be published in accordance with section 54
 of the Teachers Act, which includes posting the Agreement, in full, on the following
 website: https://teacherregulation.gov.bc.ca
- A breach by Leveille of any term in this Agreement may constitute professional misconduct which may be the subject of separate discipline proceedings.
- 17. Leveille acknowledges and understands that if the Commissioner has reason to believe that he has breached any term of this Agreement:
 - the Commissioner may initiate an investigation under section 47(1)(b) of the Teachers Act into his conduct; and
 - b. the conduct and matters described in the "Background and Facts" to this Agreement are admissible in that inquiry as proof that Leveille has admitted to the conduct and matters set out in this Agreement.
- 18. Leveille acknowledges that he has voluntarily entered into this Agreement with the benefit of independent legal advice, and that he fully understands the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement.

Signed in <u>Richmond</u>, B.C. this 3 day of October, 2025.

Christopher Jay Leveille

Signed in New Westminster, B.C. this 7th day of October , 2025.

Donnaree Nygard, Commissioner