

**SCHOOL ACT
ALBERTA REGULATION 4/99**

PRACTICE REVIEW OF TEACHERS REGULATION

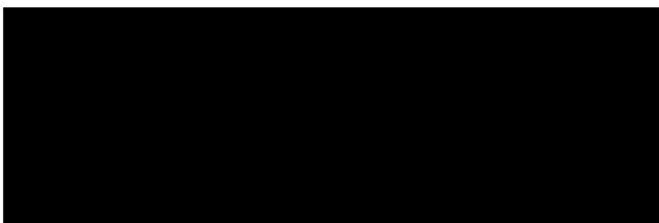
PRACTICE REVIEW PANEL HEARING


DECISION OF THE PANEL REGARDING COMPLAINT

ABOUT MR. DAVID QUERENGESSER

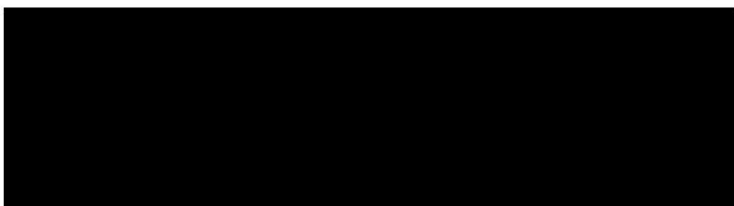
**HEARING HELD ON FEBRAURY 24, 2006
AT EDMONTON, ALBERTA**

The Panel was formed to hear a complaint about the unprofessional conduct of Mr. David Querengesser as directed under section 109.1 of the *School Act* and section 11 of the *Practice Review of Teachers Regulation* (the Regulation). Pursuant to section 4 of the Regulation, the Minister of Learning, the Honourable Dr. Lyle Oberg, appointed the following as members of the Panel:



The Hearing was held on February 24, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. at the Harley Court Building. Proceedings were formally recorded by a Court Reporter 

The following were present at the hearing:



MANDATE OF THE PRACTICE REVIEW PANEL

To investigate the complaint that Mr. Querengesser's actions constituted unprofessional conduct as referred to under section 19 of the Regulation.

HISTORY OF COMPLAINT

By letter dated April 26, 2005, [REDACTED] advised the Registrar that Mr. Querengesser had been suspended with pay on April 24, 2005 resulting from conduct that brought into question the suitability of Mr. Querengesser to hold a teaching certificate.

The complaint was investigated by [REDACTED] and based on his report the Registrar referred the matter to a Practice Review Panel for a hearing in respect of Mr. Querengesser's conduct.

PROCEEDINGS AND EVIDENCE

Prior to the start of the hearing, as part of preliminary matters, the hearing was opened to the public.

The hearing proceeded in the absence of Mr. Querengesser, under section 17 of the Regulation, on the Panel being informed by the Agent for the Registrar that Mr. Querengesser indicated to her that he would not attend.

The Registrar presented the following evidence to the Panel:

- Mr. Querengesser is the holder of a valid Alberta Permanent Professional Certificate #102597R.
- Mr. Querengesser was convicted under section 153(1)(A) of the *Criminal Code of Canada* for his involvement for a sexual purpose with a young person with whom he was in a position of trust.

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PANEL'S FINDING:

The Panel finds that Mr. Querengesser was convicted of an indictable offence under section 153(1)(A) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*. The Panel finds that this conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct under section 19(1) of the Regulation in that it is detrimental to the best interest of students, the public or teachers generally.

PANEL'S RECOMMENDATION

On the basis of its findings, the Panel recommends to the Minister of Education that Mr. David Querengesser's Alberta Permanent Professional Certificate be cancelled.

