## **RETRACTION AND APOLOGY**

I acknowledge having published comments by way of tweets posted on Twitter during the period May 27-29, 2014, which the Alberta Teachers' Association ("the ATA") considered defamatory. I acknowledge that those words are capable of being understood to mean that: the ATA is supportive of, unconcerned about, or condones pedophilia; the ATA is unconcerned about or condones pedophiles as teachers teaching in Alberta schools or holding teaching certificates; and the ATA does not take appropriate steps to ensure discipline of teachers who are found to be pedophiles or who have been found to have committed child sexual abuse.

It was not my intention to convey the meanings set forth above, which I acknowledge are not true. I have caused to be removed from Twitter the offending tweets. Further, I retract any such words that are considered to have the above meanings as against the ATA.

I apologize to the ATA for the offending remarks.

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