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CITATION: ASSESSMENT OF FINE AND ORDER OF ABATEMENT

To: **James Petulla, Owner/CEO/President**
Brian Kraft, COO/CAO
The Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc.
D.B.A.:
Film Connection Film Institute;
Learn in Los Angeles Film School/Program;
Radio Connection Broadcasting School/Institute;
Recording Connection Audio Institute/School;
Mentor Apprentice School of the Arts,
Entertainment Connection, Inc.;
Entertainment Career Connection;
& TV Connection
1201 W. 5th Street, Suite M-130
Los Angeles, CA 90017

INSTITUTION CODE: None - Unapproved
CITATION NUMBER: 1213017
CITATION ISSUANCE DATE: 05/22/13
DUE DATE: 06/21/13
FINE AMOUNT: \$50,000.00

Connie Bouvia issues this Citation: Assessment of Fine and Order of Abatement (Citation) in her official capacity as Enforcement Chief of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) of the California Department of Consumer Affairs.

CITATION

A Citation is hereby issued to James Petulla, Owner/CEO/President and Brian Kraft, COO/CAO of The Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc. doing business as (D.B.A.): Film Connection Film Institute; Learn in Los Angeles Film School/Program; Radio Connection Broadcasting School/Institute; Recording Connection Audio Institute/School; Mentor Apprentice School of the Arts; Entertainment Connection, Inc.; Entertainment Career Connection; and TV Connection (Institution) located at 1201 W. 5th Street, Suite M-130, Los Angeles, California 90017; 6253 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 302, Hollywood, California 90028; and at all other Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc. (including all D.B.A. Institutions) pursuant to Business and Professions Code §148; California Education Code (CEC) §94944; and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (5 CCR) §75020 for the violation(s) described below.

VIOLATION

CEC §94886 – Approval to Operate Required

“Except as exempted in Article 4 (commencing with Section 94874) or in compliance with the transition

provisions in Article 2 (commencing with Section 94802), a person shall not open, conduct, or do business as a private postsecondary educational institution in this state without obtaining an approval to operate under this chapter."

The institution did not obtain an approval to operate a private postsecondary educational institution from the Bureau.

You are hereby notified that you are in violation of CEC §94886 and cause for issuance of a citation and assessment of an administrative fine exists.

PENALTY – ASSESSMENT OF A FINE

In accordance with CEC §94944; and 5 CCR §75020(b), the Bureau hereby orders the issuance of a Citation, assessment of a fine in the amount of **\$50,000.00** for operating an institution without proper approval to operate issued by the Bureau.

ORDER OF ABATEMENT

The Bureau orders that you cease operating as a private postsecondary educational institution at 1201 W. 5th Street, Suite M-130, Los Angeles, California 90017; 6253 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 302, Hollywood, California 90028; and at all other Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc. (including all D.B.A. Institutions). You must submit within 30 days of the date of this Citation, evidence of compliance that the violation has been complied with. This means you must stop enrolling students, and cease all instructional services, advertising (including all Web sites), programs, and/or operations. You must also refund all monies (tuition and fees) to all students that were enrolled at The Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc. (including all D.B.A. Institutions) after January 1, 2010.

You must also provide a complete list of all students who have been enrolled at The Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc. (including all D.B.A. Institutions) after January 1, 2010 until present. The list shall include the names of the students, contact information, amount of tuition they paid, amount you refunded, and evidence that you refunded each student.

APPEAL OF CITATION

You have the right to contest this Citation through an informal conference with the Bureau and/or through an administrative hearing in accordance with Chapter 5 (Commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

If you wish to contest this Citation, you must submit the enclosed 'Notice of Appeal of Citation – Request for Informal Conference and/or Administrative Hearing' form within 30 days from the date of service of the Citation. If you do not request an informal conference and/or an administrative hearing within 30 days from the date of service of the Citation, you will not be able to request one at a later time. Deliver or mail your written request to:

Janel Quayle, Discipline – Citation Program
Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400
Sacramento, CA 95833

Unless a written request for an informal conference and/or an administrative hearing is signed by you or on behalf of The Recording Radio Film Connection, Inc. (including all D.B.A. Institutions) and delivered to the Bureau by **June 21, 2013** you will be deemed to have waived or forfeited your right to an administrative hearing in this matter.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CITATION AND FINE ASSESSMENT

If you do not request an informal conference and/or an administrative hearing, this Citation shall become effective on **May 22, 2013**. The order of abatement and payment are due by **June 21, 2013**. Your payment of the administrative fine shall not constitute an admission of the violation(s) charged.

If a hearing is requested, you will not be required to comply with this Citation until 30 days after a final order is entered against you.

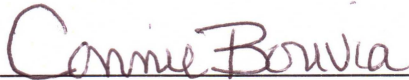
PAYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE FINE

Payment of the administrative fine must be made to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by check or money order. Please include the Citation number on the payment of the fine assessment. Payments may be mailed to:

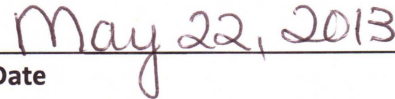
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CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this Citation, or desire further information, please contact Janel Quayle, Enforcement Analyst, at (916) 431-6940 or Janel.Quayle@dca.ca.gov.



Connie Bouvia
Enforcement Chief



Date

Enclosures

- Applicable Laws
- Statement of Rights: Appeal Process Information Sheet
- Notice of Appeal of Citation: Request for Informal Conference and/or Administrative Hearing
- Payment of fine – Wavier of Appeal
- Declaration of Service by Certified and First Class Mail