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APPEAL OF CITATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE
DECISION: CITATION MODIFIED

October 14, 2021

Londo Welding, Inc., Owner
Welding Certification Center
2701 N. Towne Ave, Unit C
Pomona, CA 91767

| Date of Issuance | Citation Number | Institution Code |
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| October 14, 2021 | 2021266 | 15556909 |

On August 27, 2021, an informal telephone conference was held in the matter of Citation: Assessment of Fine and Order of Abatement No. 2021266 (Citation) against Londo Welding, Inc., Owner of Welding Certification Center (Institution). In attendance were Ebony Santee, Licensing Chief, Daniel Londo, M. Ed., Site Administrator, and Vanessa Londo, MBA, Vice President of Financial, Administrative, and Student Services Department.

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code, section 125.9; California Education Code, section 94936; and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, section 75020 and section 75040, the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) renders the following decision relative to your appeal of the Citation No. 2021266.

It is the decision of the Insert Licensing Chief that on September 27, 2021, Citation No. 2021266 is modified and makes the following change(s):

VIOLATION CODE SECTIONS

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| # | Below you will find the California Education Code (CEC) and/or Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (5, CCR code) section(s) of law you are charged with violating. |
| 1. | <p><u>Violation:</u> 5, CCR Section 71720(b)(1) – Faculty <i>“(b) Instructors in an Educational Program Not Leading to a Degree.</i> <i>(1) An institution shall employ instructors who possess the academic, experiential and professional qualifications to teach, including a minimum of three years of experience, education and training in current practices of the subject area they are teaching. If an instructor does not possess the required three years of experience, education and training in the subject area they are teaching, the institution shall document the qualifications the instructor possesses that are equivalent to the minimum qualifications.”</i></p> <p>During the Inspection, Bureau staff reviewed faculty staff files and found that faculty staff received only one year of training in the welding industry prior to being hired by the Institution. Institution staff stated that faculty staff received the equivalent of three years or more of training</p> |

after taking an accelerated set of welding programs at the Institution. In addition, Institution staff stated that as an assistant instructor, the faculty staff in question only provides practical training and does not provide training in theory. Furthermore, Institution staff stated that the Institution's Owner and main instructor supervises all work and the students assigned to the faculty staff in question. As the Institution hired faculty prior to having three years or more of training, the Institution is in violation of 5, CCR section 71720 (b)(1).

Order of Abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to submit a written policy, or procedure, of how the Institution will maintain future compliance with 5, CCR Section 71720.

Modified Order of Abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to submit a written policy, or procedure, of how the Institution will maintain future compliance with 5, CCR Section 71720; including how all pertinent qualification documentation will be included in all faculty files.

Reason for Modification: New substantive facts were provided at the informal conference.

Assessment of Fine

The fine for this violation is \$501.00

The administrative fine has been modified from \$501.00 to \$50.00.

TOTAL MODIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE FINE DUE: \$50.00

ORDER OF ABATEMENT

The Bureau orders that you comply with the orders described in the 'Violation Code Sections' of this document and submit evidence of compliance within 30 days from the date of this decision.

PENALTY – ASSESSMENT OF A FINE

Payment of the administrative fine is due within 30 days from the date of this decision. Please complete the Payment of Fine form. Payment must be made to the Bureau by check, or money order. Please include the citation number on the payment of the fine assessment. Payment of the administrative fine shall not constitute an admission of the violation(s) charged and shall be represented as satisfactory resolution of the matter for purposes of public disclosure. Payments may be mailed to:

Gabriella Perez, Discipline Citation Program
Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
1747 N. Market Blvd., Suite 225
Sacramento, CA 95834

APPEAL OF CITATION

You *do not* have the right to request another Informal Conference to appeal this modified Citation. If you did not initially request an Administrative Hearing within 30 days from when the original citation was issued, you can no longer request one.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CITATION AND FINE ASSESSMENT

This modified Citation is effective on **October 14, 2021**. The Order of Abatement and payment are due by **November 13, 2021**.

Failure to abate the violation or to pay the administrative fine within the time allowed is grounds for denial of an application for an approval to operate or discipline. The Bureau will promptly take all appropriate action to enforce the Modified Citation and recover the civil penalties prescribed therein or found to be due after a hearing.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this decision or desire further information, please contact Gabriella Perez, Citation Analyst, at (916) 574-8969 or at Gabriella.Perez@dca.ca.gov.

“Original Signature on File”

“10/14/2021”

Christina Villanueva
Discipline Manager

Date

Enclosures

- Payment of Fine
- Declaration of Service by Certified and First-Class Mail