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# CITATION: ASSESSMENT OF FINE AND ORDER OF ABATEMENT

To: Ling Li, Owner California South Bay University 830 Stewart Drive, Suite 118 Sunnyvale, CA 94085

**INSTITUTION CODE: Unapproved CITATION NUMBER: 1314014** 

CITATION ISSUANCE/SERVICE DATE: June 30, 2014

**DUE DATE: July 30, 2014** FINE AMOUNT: \$ 50,000.00

ORDER OF ABATEMENT INCLUDED: YES

Yvette Johnson 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 Ling Li, Owner of California South Bay University (Institution) located at 830 Stewart Drive, Suite 118, Sunnyvale, CA 94085 pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 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**

The California Education Code (CEC) and the California Code of Regulations (CCR). Below you will find the code section(s) of law you are charged with violating.

#### **Violation:** 1.

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."

And

CEC 94943(a) - Public Offenses

"(a) Knowingly operating a private postsecondary institution without an approval to operate is an

infraction subject to the procedures described in Sections 19.6 and 19.7 of the Penal Code"

The institution has been operating since 2008 without an approval to operate. Although aware of the need to be an approved institution, the institution has abandoned their application once before and has continued to operate.

#### Order of Abatement:

The Bureau orders that the institution cease operating immediately until an approval to operate has been issued by the Bureau. Submit evidence of compliance to the Bureau.

The fine for this violation is \$50,000.00

# **TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE FINE DUE: \$50,000.00**

#### ASSESSMENT OF A FINE

In accordance with CEC section 94944; and 5 CCR section 75020(b), the Bureau hereby orders this assessment of a fine in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the violations described above. Payment must be made, to the Bureau, within 30 days from the date of service of the Citation.

#### ORDER OF ABATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of CEC Section 94936 and 5 CCR Section 75020 the Bureau hereby issues the order(s) of abatement described above. Evidence of compliance with the order(s) of abatement must be submitted, to the Bureau, within 30 days from the date of service of the Citation.

#### BACKGROUND

On March 14, 2014 the Bureau received a complaint against California South Bay University. During the course of the investigation, the above mentioned violation was identified.

#### 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 'Notice of Appeal of Citation – Request for Informal Conference and/or Administrative Hearing' form (enclosed) 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 service of the Citation, you will not be able to request one at a later time.

Unless a written request for an informal conference and/or an administrative hearing is signed by you and delivered to the Bureau by **July 30, 2014** you will be deemed to have waived or forfeited your right to appeal this matter.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF CITATION**

If you do not request an informal conference and/or an administrative hearing, this Citation shall become effective on **June 30**, **2014**. Payment of the administrative fine and evidence of compliance with the order(s) of abatement shall be due by **July 30**, **2014**. 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 the administrative fine and/or written request for appeal must be mailed to:

Renee Campos, Discipline Citation Program Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400 Sacramento, CA 95833

Failure for an applicant or institution to abate the violation(s) listed above or to pay the administrative fine within the time allowed may result in denial of an application for an approval or renewal to operate; disciplinary action, and/or collection action. The Bureau will promptly take all appropriate action to enforce this 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 Citation, or desire further information, please contact Renee Campos, Enforcement Analyst, at (916) 431-6940 or Renee.Campos@dca.ca.gov.

Yvette Johnson Enforcement Chief Date

#### **Enclosures**

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