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# APPEAL OF CITATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE DECISION: CITATION AFFIRMED

October 21, 2021

Audelia Andrade, Owner Watsonville School of Cosmetology 1414 Freedom Boulevard Watsonville, CA 95076

Date of Issuance	Citation Number	Institution Code
October 21, 2021	2122009	28322450

On September 16, 2021, an informal telephone conference was held in the matter of Citation: Assessment of Fine and Order of Abatement No. 2122009 (Citation) against Audelia Andrade, Owner of Watsonville School of Cosmetology (Institution). In attendance were Yvette Johnson, Licensing Chief, and Audelia Andrade, Owner.

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. 2122009.

It is the decision of the Licensing Chief that on October 6, 2021, Citation No. 2122009 is <u>affirmed</u> for the following reason(s):

> No new substantive facts were presented at the conference.

# VIOLATION CODE SECTIONS

#	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.	Violation:
	CEC Section 94926 (a)(b)(c)(d) - Procedures Prior to Closing, Teach-Out Plans
	"At least 30 days prior to closing, the institution shall notify the bureau in writing of its intention to
	close. The notice shall be accompanied by a closure plan, which shall include, but not necessarily be
	limited to, all of the following:
	(a) A plan for providing teach-outs of educational programs, including any agreements with any other postsecondary educational institutions to provide teach-outs.
	(b) If no teach-out plan is contemplated, or for students who do not wish to participate in a teach-out, arrangements for making refunds within 45 days from the date of closure, or for institutions that
	participate in federal student financial aid programs arrangements for making refunds and returning
	federal student financial aid program funds.

(c) If the institution is a participant in federal student financial aid programs, it shall provide students information concerning these programs and institutional closures.
(d) A plan for the disposition of student records."

5, CCR Section 76240 (a)(1)(2)(3)(4)(A)(B)(5)(6)(b)(1)(2) - Required Notices and Teach-Out Plan

*"All institutions, including those exempt from Bureau regulation pursuant to the Code, shall do the following prior to closing* 

(a) At least 30 days prior to closing, the institution shall notify the Bureau in writing of its intention to close and provide a closure plan. The closure plan shall include:

(1) The exact date and reason for the closure.

(2) The last date of instruction for each educational service or program.

(3) A list of students who were enrolled at any time during the 60 days prior to closure.

(4) If any student will not be provided complete educational services or the educational program, the institution shall provide:

(A) A plan for providing teach-outs or transfers, including the details of any agreements with other institutions.

(B) If no teach-out is contemplated, or for students who do not wish to participate in a teach-out, arrangements for making refunds within 45 days from the date of closure, or for institutions that participate in federal student financial aid programs arrangements for making refunds and returning federal student financial aid program funds.

(5) A plan for the disposition of student records.

(6) A plan to notify students of their rights and options under the Act and this chapter.

(b) The institution shall notify the students of the following:

(1) If the institution is a participant in federal student financial aid programs, it shall provide students information concerning those programs and institutional closures.

(2) If any student will not be provided complete educational services or the educational program, information regarding the Student Tuition Recovery Fund and the Bureau's physical and Internet addresses."

The Institution submitted written notice of closure, however the Institution failed to provide this written notice of closure to the Bureau at least 30 days prior to closing. Additionally, the Institution failed to provide any other information required in accordance with CEC Section 94926(a)(b)(c)(d) and 5, CCR section 76240(a)(1)(2)(3)(4)(A)(B)(5)(6)(b)(1)(2).

# Order of Abatement:

The Bureau orders that the institution provide the Bureau with a complete school closure plan in accordance with CEC section 94926(a)(b)(c)(d) and 5, CCR section 76240(a)(1)(2)(3)(4)(A)(B)(5)(6)(b)(1)(2).

# Assessment of Fine

The fine for this violation is <u>\$5,000.00</u>

TOTAL AFFIRMED ADMINISTRATIVE FINE DUE: <u>\$5,000.00</u>

#### 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 <u>30 days</u> from the date of this decision.

### PENALTY – ASSESSMENT OF A FINE

**Payment of the administrative fine is due within** <u>30 days</u> from the date of this decision. Please complete the <u>Payment of Fine</u> 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 affirmed 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 affirmed Citation is effective on **October 21, 2021.** The order of abatement and payment are due by **November 20, 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 Affirmed 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"

"10/21/2021"

Christina Villanueva Discipline Manager Date

Enclosures

- Payment of Fine Waiver of Appeal Rights
- > Declaration of Service by Certified and First-Class Mail

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