



MODIFIED CITATION ORDER

Citation Issued To: Georgiy Kot Academy USA (formerly known as Western Beauty Institute, Inc.) 20855 Ventura Blvd. Suite 7 Woodland Hills, CA 91364 Institution Code: 27688006	Citation Number: 25260191
	Total Fine Amount: \$1,001.00
	Order of Abatement Included: Yes

Elizabeth Elias issues this modified citation in her official capacity as Deputy Bureau Chief of Enforcement at the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, California Department of Consumer Affairs (hereinafter referred to as the "Bureau").

LICENSING HISTORY

- On or about November 3, 2021, the Bureau renewed an Approval to Operate a Private Postsecondary Institution, Institution Code 27688006, to Georgiy Kot Academy USA (formerly known as Western Beauty Institute, Inc.), hereinafter referred to as the "Institution." This Approval to Operate will expire on or about November 3, 2026, unless renewed.

DISCIPLINE HISTORY

- The Institution has the following discipline history:
 - [Modified Settlement of Citation No. 2324114, issued on January 31, 2025](#)
 - [Citation No. 23240270, issued on April 18, 2024](#)
 - Evidence of compliance; citation satisfied December 10, 2024
 - [Citation No. 24250061, issued on September 5, 2024](#)
 - Evidence of compliance; citation satisfied February 20, 2025
 - [Citation No. 24250289, issued on March 19, 2025](#)
 - Evidence of compliance; citation satisfied October 27, 2025

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CITATION JURISDICTION

3. This administrative citation is issued to the Institution pursuant to California Education Code (CEC) section 94936; and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (5 CCR) section 75020 et seq. for the violation(s) described below.

CITATION HISTORY

4. On or about December 23, 2025, the Bureau issued Citation No. 25260191. On or about January 29, 2026, the Bureau received an appeal with a request for an informal conference. The informal conference was held on March 11, 2026. New substantive information was presented during the informal conference; therefore, the Bureau modifies the citation as follows:

CAUSE FOR CITATION & MODIFIED ASSESSMENT OF FINE AND/OR ORDER OF ABATEMENT

5. The Institution is in violation of the following Bureau laws and regulations:

Violation #1:

**CEC section 94935(b) and (h) – Notice to Comply and 5 CCR section 75010(h)
- Notice to Comply; Informal Appeal Process**

Cause for Citation: On or about April 24, 2025, Bureau staff issued a Notice to Comply (NTC) to the Institution for the following violations:

- CEC section 94909(a)(3)(D) and (a)(10) - Minimum Requirements for School Catalog
- CEC section 94913(a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(5) – Institutional Web Site Requirements
- CEC section 94897(s) – Prohibited Business Practices
- 5 CCR section 76140(a)(4-6), (a)(7), (a)(11), and (a)(13) – Record-Keeping Requirements

The Institution failed remedy the noncompliance as noted in the Notice to Comply within 30 days.

Administrative Fine: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75030, the Bureau has determined this to be a “Class B” violation. The Institution is issued a fine of \$2,500.00.

Administrative Fine: Modified. The Bureau modifies the administrative fine from \$2,500.00 to \$1,001.00. The violation remains a “Class B” violation.

Order of Abatement: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75020, the Bureau issues the following order of abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to correct the violations identified in the Notice to Comply and submit proof of compliance pursuant to CEC section 94935 and 5 CCR section 75010.

Order of Abatement: Affirmed.

COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER OF ABATEMENT

6. In accordance with the provisions of CEC section 94936 and 5 CCR sections 75020 and 75040, the Bureau issues the order(s) of abatement described above. Evidence of compliance with the order of abatement must be submitted to the Bureau within 30 days from the date of issuance of this modified citation. Evidence of compliance with the order of abatement may sent by mail or email to:
 - Mail: Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
Attn: Discipline Unit – Aspen Grambusch
1747 North Market, Blvd., Suite 225
Sacramento, CA 95834
 - Email: bppe.discipline@dca.ca.gov
 - In the subject line, please include the Institution name and citation number.

COMPLIANCE WITH ASSESSMENT OF FINE

7. In accordance with the provisions of CEC section 94936, and 5 CCR section 75020 et seq., the Bureau hereby orders this assessment of fines in the total amount of \$1,001.00 for the violations described above. Payment of the fines must be made to the Bureau within 30 days from the date of service of this modified citation. To assist the Bureau in processing the payment of fines, please submit the enclosed *Payment of Fine – Waiver of Appeal* form.

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Payment must be sent to the Bureau by mail at:

- Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
Attn: Discipline Unit – Aspen Grambusch
1747 North Market, Blvd., Suite 225
Sacramento, CA 95834

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

8. Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75040(d), the modified decision is considered final, unless a request for a hearing was filed timely.

If the Institution requested a hearing and no longer chooses to proceed with the hearing, the Institution may request to withdraw the request for a hearing.

COMPLIANCE WITH FINE AND/OR ORDER OR ABATEMENT DISCLOSURE

9. Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75050, payment of the fine and/or compliance with any order of abatement does not constitute an admission of the violation charged and shall be represented as satisfactory resolution of the matter for the purposes of public disclosure.

Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75050, failure to comply with this citation order, its order of abatement, and/or administrative fine by the required due date is grounds for denial or discipline of an approval to operate. Where a citation is not contested and fine is not paid, the full amount of the assessed fine shall be added to the fee for renewal of the approval to operate. An approval to operate shall not be renewed without payment of the renewal fee and fine. The Bureau may also enforce the administrative fine as if it were a money judgment pursuant to CEC section 94936.

BUREAU CONTACT INFORMATION

10. If you have any questions regarding this Citation, please contact Aspen Grambusch, Citation Analyst by email at Aspen.Grambusch@dca.ca.gov or by phone at (279) 895-6005.

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“Original Signature on File”

4/9/2026

Elizabeth Elias
Deputy Bureau Chief of Enforcement

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Enclosures:

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