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APPEAL OF CITATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE DECISION: CITATION MODIFIED

November 23, 2020

Stella Fixman, Owner Stella Ink LA 6325 Topanga Canyon Blvd. Suite 216 Woodland Hills, CA 91367

| Date of Issuance | Citation Number | Institution Code |
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| November 23, 2020 | 2021094 | Unapproved |

On November 13, 2020, an informal telephone conference was held in the matter of Citation: Assessment of Fine No. 2021094 (Citation) against Stella Fixman, Owner of Stella Ink LA (Institution). In attendance were Beth Danielson, Enforcement Chief and Stella Fixman, Owner.

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code, section 148; California Education Code (CEC), section 94944; and Title 5 of California Code of Regulations (5, CCR), section 75020 and section 75040, the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) renders the following decision relative to your appeal of the Citation No. 2021094.

It is the decision of the Enforcement Chief that on November 13, 2020, Citation No. 2021094 is modified and makes the following change(s):

VIOLATION CODE SECTIONS

| # | Below you will find the California Education Code (CEC) and/or Title 5 of the California |
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| | Code of Regulations (5, CCR code) section(s) of law you are charged with violating. |

1. **Violation**:

CEC Section 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."

CEC Section 94817.5. Approved to Operate or Approved

"Approved to operate" or "approved" means that an institution has received authorization pursuant to this chapter to offer to the public and to provide postsecondary educational programs."

CEC Section 94868. To Offer to the Public

"To offer to the public" means to advertise, publicize, solicit, or recruit."

CEC Section 94869. To Operate

"To operate" means to establish, keep, or maintain any facility or location in this state where, or from which, or through which, postsecondary educational programs are provided."

Fine Amount:

The fine for this violation is \$5,000.00

The administrative fine for this violation has been modified from \$5,000.00 to \$250.00.

TOTAL MODIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE FINE DUE: \$250.00

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:

Nicole Mitchell, 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 **November 23, 2020.** The payment is due by **December 23, 2020.**

Failure 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 Nicole Mitchell, Citation Analyst, at (916) 574-8995 or at Nicole.Mitchell@dca.ca.gov.

| "Original Signature on File" | "11/23/2020" |
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| Christina Villanueva Discipline Manager | Date |

Enclosures

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