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# APPEAL OF CITATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE DECISION: CITATION AFFIRMED

September 29, 2021

Romona Lawsonhaley, Owner Trena Lawson, Owner CA Trade Academy 2409 S. Vineyard Avenue, Suite F Ontario, CA 91761

Date of Issuance	Citation Number	Institution Code
September 29, 2021	2122011	45567541

On September 8, 2021, an informal telephone conference was held in the matter of Citation: Order of Abatement No. 2122011 (Citation) against Ramona Lawsonhaley and Trena Lawson, Owner of CA Trade Academy (Institution). In attendance Ebony Santee, Licensing Chief, Romona Lawson, Owner/School Director, and Trena Lawson, 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.2122011

It is the decision of the Licensing Chief that on September 20, 2021, Citation No. 2122011 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:**

# 5, CCR Section 74006(a) and (b) - Annual Fee

"(a) An institution's annual fee is due within 30 days of the date on which the institution originally receives its approval to operate and each year thereafter on the anniversary of the date of the original approval. (b) An institution shall pay its annual fee in addition to any other applicable fees.

# CEC Section 94930.5 (g)- Fee Schedule

"(g) Notwithstanding subdivision (d), effective July 1, 2018, the annual fee for each campus described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) shall be in an amount equal to 0.55 percent of that campus' total gross revenue derived from students in California, but not to be less than

two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) and not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for each campus."

# **CEC Section 94931(b)- Late Payment**

"(b) A fee that is not paid on or before the 90th calendar day after the due date for payment of the fee shall be subject to a 35 percent late payment penalty fee."

The Institution has failed to pay its annual fee for calendar year 2021.

On March 1, 2021, the Institution was notified, Invoice # 900355969 via mail at 1520 Majesty Street, Upland, CA 91784, stating that the annual fee for calendar year 2021 was due on April 1, 2021.

On May 17, 2021, the Institution was notified, Invoice # 900357776 via mail at 1520 Majesty Street, Upland, CA 91784, stating that the annual fee for calendar year 2021 was due on April 1, 2021.

July 15, 2021, the Institution was notified, Invoice # 900357776 via mail at 2409 S. Vineyard Avenue, Suite F, Ontario, CA 91761, stating that the annual fee for calendar year 2021 was due on April 1, 2021.

As of July 29, 2021, the Bureau has not received the annual fee from the Institution.

# **Order of Abatement:**

The Bureau orders the Institution to submit its annual fees for calendar year 2021 in accordance with 5, CCR section 74006(a)(b) and CEC section 94930.5(g). In addition, the Institution must pay all late payment penalty fees.

#### **Assessment of Fine**

The fine for this violation is \$00.00

# TOTAL AFFIRMED ADMINISTRATIVE FINE DUE: \$00.00

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

# **APPEAL OF CITATION**

You *do not* have the right to request another Informal Conference to appeal this affirmed Citation. You *do*, however, have the right to appeal this affirmed Citation through an Administrative Hearing. A hearing before an Administrative Law Judge will be scheduled and you will be notified of the hearing date. The hearing will be held pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

If you do not wish to appeal this affirmed Citation you must withdraw your initial request for an Administrative Hearing, if one was made. Please complete and mail the enclosed <u>Withdrawal – Request for Administrative Hearing</u> within <u>30 Days</u> of the date of this decision.

# **EFFECTIVE DATE OF CITATION**

This affirmed Citation is effective on **September 29, 2021.** The order of abatement is due by **October 29, 2021**.

Failure to abate the violation 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"	"9/29/2021"
Christina Villanueva Discipline Manager	Date

# **Enclosures**

- ➤ Waiver of Appeal Rights
- Withdrawal- Request for Administrative Hearing
- > Declaration of Service by Certified and First-Class Mail