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# **CITATION: ASSESSMENT OF FINE AND ORDER OF ABATEMENT (MODIFIED)**

To: Newport International University, et al. Jay Askari, President 6700 Fallbrook Avenue, Suite 260 West Hills, CA 91307

INSTITUTION CODE: None - Unapproved CITATION NUMBER: 1213008 CITATION ISSUANCE DATE: 12/31/13 DUE DATE: March 15, 2014 FINE AMOUNT: \$10,000.00

Joanne Wenzel issues this Modified Citation: Assessment of Fine and Order of Abatement (Citation) in her official capacity as Bureau Chief of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) of the California Department of Consumer Affairs.

# CITATION

A Citation is hereby issued to Jay Askari, President of Newport International University located at 6700 Fallbrook Avenue, Suite 160, West Hills, CA 91307 and at any other Newport International University locations in accordance with Section 148 and of the Business and Professions; Section 94944 of the California Education Code; and Section 75020 of the California Code of Regulations for the violations described below.

### VIOLATION

### California Education Code § 94886 - Approval to Operate Required

The institution did not obtain an approval to operate a private postsecondary educational institution from the Bureau. This law prohibits a person from opening, conducting, or engaging in a business as a private postsecondary education institution in this State without obtaining an approval to operate from the Bureau.

You are hereby notified that you are in violation of Section 94886 of the California Education Code and cause for issuance of a citation and assessment of an administrative fine exists.

### PENALTY - ASSESSMENT OF A FINE

In accordance with Cal. Ed. Code section 94944; and California Code of Regulations section 75020(b), the Bureau hereby orders the issuance of a Modified Citation order and the assessment of a fine in the amount of \$10,000.00 for operating an institution without proper approval to operate issued by the Bureau.

### ORDER OF ABATEMENT

The Bureau orders that you cease operating as a private postsecondary educational institution at any and all Newport International University locations. This means you must stop enrolling students, and cease all instructional services, advertising (including the Web sites), programs, and or operations. You must submit within <u>30 days</u> of the date of this Citation order evidence of compliance and a declaration, under penalty of perjury, that the violation has been corrected.

Respondent agrees to cease operating as a private postsecondary educational institution at any and all Newport International University locations.

Respondent agrees to cease all Newport International University advertisements.

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Respondent agrees to provide documentation that they have requested removal of Newport International University from online search engines containing the Newport International University website.

Respondent agrees to delete its telephone message recording advertising Newport International University.

The citation shall carry an administrative fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). Respondent shall pay ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in two monthly payments (\$5,000 each), with payments to be completed no later than March 15, 2014.

The Bureau will not approve any application(s) submitted by Respondent until full payment is received on this Modified Citation.

Payment of the fine shall not constitute an admission of the violation(s) charged.

### APPEAL OF CITATION

Respondent shall not appeal or contest this Modified Citation.

Respondent shall submit to the Bureau within 30 days a declaration under the penalty of perjury that the violations have been corrected.

Deliver or mail your written declaration to:

John Bruce, Enforcement Manager – Citation Program Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400 Sacramento, CA 95833

# PAYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE FINE

Payment of the administrative fine must be made to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by check or money order. Please include the Citation number on the payment of the fine assessment. Payments may be mailed to:

John Bruce, Enforcement Manager – Citation Program Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400 Sacramento, CA 95833

### CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this Citation, or desire further information, please contact John Bruce, Enforcement Manager, at (916) 431-6906 or John.Bruce@dca.ca.gov.

Joanne Wenzel **Bureau Chief** 

<u>12/3//13</u> Date

Enclosures

> Declaration of Service by Certified and First Class Mail