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STUDENTS COUNSELED AFTER BEAUTY SCHOOL OWNER ARRESTED

Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education advises attendees of San Diego Area cosmetology school of their student rights.

SACRAMENTO – Tramy Van, 41, owner of Tramy Beauty School with facilities in Escondido and San Diego, was arrested Thursday, August 11, 2016, for felony grand theft and theft under false pretenses.

The arrest is a result of an investigation being conducted by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) in conjunction with the Department of Consumer Affairs' Division of Investigation (DOI).

Bureau representatives were at the school's two locations on Thursday to counsel students. They informed students of their rights if the school closes, provided a list of similar schools in the area, and provided information on federal student loan discharge and the Bureau's tuition recovery program. Bureau staff also provided students with contact information for any further questions.

The schools are located at 641 North Broadway, in Escondido, and at 5911 University Avenue, Suite 318, in San Diego.

Prior to the Bureau action, the U.S. Department of Education had placed Tramy Beauty School on Heightened Cash Monitoring 2, which means the school could no longer receive federal tuition funds in advance, but would instead have to seek reimbursement. The school had also been placed on probation with their accreditor, the National Accrediting Commission of Career Arts and Sciences (NACCAS).

The San Diego location of Tramy Beauty School was granted a license by the former Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education on December 5, 2006. The Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education licensed the school on August 14, 2014, with an expiration date of September 30, 2019. The Escondido location was licensed on August 3, 2011, with an expiration date of September 30, 2019. There were no prior citations or enforcement actions against either school by the Bureau.

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Van holds a barber, cosmetologist, esthetician and manicurist license with the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology. The board has no citations or enforcement actions against her license.

The Bureau has requested students who may have been harmed by Van to file a complaint at <http://www.bppe.ca.gov/enforcement/complaint.shtml> or call (916) 431-6959.

The Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education promotes and protects the interests of students and consumers through the effective and efficient oversight of California's private postsecondary educational institutions. Learn more at www.bppe.ca.gov.

The Department of Consumer Affairs promotes and protects the interests of California Consumers. Consumers can file complaints against licensees by contacting the Department of Consumer Affairs at (800) 952-5210. Consumers can also file a complaint online at www.dca.ca.gov.

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