

Roy Dittmann  
AC 1493

License was issued on August 30, 1983. Mr. Dittmann's license was cancelled effective November 1, 2001 for failure to renew within five years of its expiration date (October 31, 1996).

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October 18, 2010

The Acupuncture Board of California  
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Reference: Expired California Acupuncture License #CK-1493

Dear Members of the Acupuncture Board:

I would like to issue a formal apology to the California Acupuncture Board for my refusal to comply with your regulatory requirements for licensure renewal. Your board may recall that in 1997, I refrained from including my SSN# on my application for renewal as a means of peacefully protesting what I believed to be the inappropriate use of an SSN#.

As a humble servant of the acupuncture community in California for 20 years, I am ready to begin serving the community once again - both as an educator and a practitioner.

I have included the following excerpt from my recent letter to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, requesting a formal pardon and the reinstatement of my license either in full or for educational purposes only as consideration for the extenuating circumstances inside of which my license lapsed for non-compliance:

**"LICENSURE REINSTATEMENT PROPOSAL**

1. I will provide the Board with a formal apology letter acknowledging the importance of complying with the Board's SSN policy. (See attached fully executed letter)
2. I will complete an apprenticeship program with an acupuncturist qualified by the Board.

3. I will provide the Board with a payment to cover all required License Renewal Fees.
4. I will continue to give free lectures on prevention of childhood obesity and hygiene throughout the Orange County school system.
5. I will continue to give public lectures and write papers on the philosophy of Chinese medicine and will make myself available to write editorials for the Board at their request.

I have attached a copy of my complete C.V., BioSketch, and Personal Background for your reference. References and professional Letters of Recommendation are also available upon request from the following individuals:

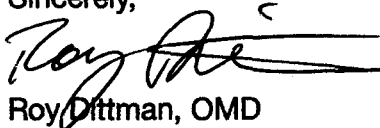
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I am requesting to renew my license, because I have taken on a commitment which is greater than me. The stand I am taking is for Chinese medicine to act as a bridge of communication between China and the United States. I have put together a working clinical model of communication that bridges this communication gap.

By maintaining an active license in California, I will be able to once again collaborate and represent my fellow colleagues in implementing this vision. In addition, I am a father of four great kids who need a financial base too.

In conclusion, I apologize for my ignorance of the regulatory code that governs our profession. I am now ready to begin serving the world acupuncture community once again. Thank you in advance for accepting my formal apology.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roy Dittman", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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BACKGROUND LETTER

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger  
State Capitol Building  
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Acupuncture Board  
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With a Copy Sent to:  
Los Angeles Office  
300 South Spring Street  
Suite 16701  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: Request for Pardon & Reinstatement of Expired California Acupuncture  
License #CK-1493

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to petition you to consider issuing a pardon to reinstate my acupuncture license. I received my license in 1983 upon graduating from SAMRA University in Los Angeles. I served the Los Angeles acupuncture community from 1983 to 1996 without any formal complaints or disciplinary incidences. (see attached complete C.V./Bio)

In the early 1990s, I was given poor legal advice to withhold my SSN number from inclusion on my annual renewal application with the California Acupuncture Board. My SSN number was well known to the State of California, since I first obtained the number as child actor at the age of 10. However, despite these facts, I was denied license renewal in 1997.

I subsequently went into early retirement to pursue research at the University of Illinois at Chicago and allowed my legal advisors to contest the California Acupuncture Committee's conclusion regarding licensure renewal. I never attended any of the subsequent court sessions. I had simply forgotten about it until I was informed in 1999 that my license was not going to be renewed in California, because too much time had elapsed while the case was pending in the courts.

The legal case and therefore reinstatement was denied due to a little known statute that states that an SSN number is required to track child support payments. This denial has damaged my ability to support my family. I am the proud father of four. My family convened the first California State Constitution and founded the Santa Barbara Mission. In addition, I was one of the founding members of the California Acupuncture Association.

I am requesting a formal pardon so that I may once again contribute to the Acupuncture Community. I would like to request a pardon based on the special circumstances of my lapse in licensure, to excuse my absence under special circumstances, and give me the opportunity to reinstate my license under the following proposal:

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## REFERENCES & PROFESSIONAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

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If a complete reinstatement of my license is not possible without extension re-education, then I would request a permanent teaching license, to allow me to teach the full scope of oriental medicine within the State of California.

In conclusion, I apologize for my ignorance of the regulatory code that governs our profession. I am now ready to begin serving the world acupuncture community once again. Once again, thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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cc: Katharina Magdalena Rettenwander; Cary Nosler  
attachments: Supplemental Letter; Complete C.V., BioSketch; Copy of Apology Letter to the Acupuncture Board

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<sup>1</sup> In the 1990s, I was close friends with Rhonda Columb before she passed away. I met with her in your office in Santa Monica on Main Street.