Annual Reminder of Sanctions in Effect for Violation of PSA Code of Ethics

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Introduction

This is the annual reminder to selected PSA officials and directors that PSA members or former members are under sanction by the PSA Board for violation of the PSA Code of Ethics as it relates to exhibitors in PSA-recognized exhibitions. Generally, while under PSA Board-imposed sanction, such exhibitors shall not be eligible to receive any Society honor, distinction, award, or recognition (including no image or article for publication in the *PSA Journal*, on the PSA Website, or on any of the PSA "satellite" websites); shall not be listed in PSA's Who's Who in Photography; shall not have any Star Rating or higher award approved in any Division; shall not be eligible for any PSA medals or ribbons at any exhibition recognized by PSA, nor be eligible to enter the PSA International Exhibition; and shall not be eligible to hold any position of officer or director in the Society or any of its Divisions. These sanctions shall remain in force for the sanction period, regardless of PSA membership status.

Sanctions in Effect for Violations of the PSA Code of Ethics

The PSA Board of Directors has acted to approve sanctions against the following exhibitors for violations of the PSA Code of Ethics relating to their participation in PSA-recognized exhibitions: 1.) Louis Romain, 2.) Joao Marques Avelino, 3.) Yong Xiong Ling, 4.) Waranun Chutchawantipakorn, 5.) Graeme R. Guy, 6.) Antonio Dammacco, 7.) Godfrey Wong, and 8.) Jose Luis Campetella. A general description of the PSA Board action against the eight exhibitors and the period of sanction for each exhibitor are presented below.

1. Louis Romain, FPSA

In July, 2006, the PSA Board approved sanctions against Louis Romain, FPSA, for PSA Code of Ethics violations, including plagiarism of another photographer's image, manipulation of photojournalism and photo travel images, and re-titling of his own images in PSA-recognized exhibitions. Sanctions were in effect until the conclusion of the **2009 PSA Conference**. After his first set of sanctions, Mr. Romain maintained his PSA membership and continued to participate in PSA-recognized exhibitions.

In April, 2009, the PSA Board approved additional sanctions against Louis Romain, FPSA, for continued Code of Ethics violations in PSA-recognized exhibitions. Sanctions remain in effect until the conclusion of the **2014 PSA Conference**. Mr. Romain dropped his PSA membership in 2009.

2. Joao Avelino Marques, APSA

In April, 2008, the PSA Board approved sanctions against Joao Avelino Marques, APSA for use of over 60 different titles for 19 images in PSA-recognized exhibitions. These sanctions expired at the conclusion of the **2011 PSA Conference**. Joao Avelino Marques dropped his membership in PSA in 2008.

3. Yong Xiong Ling

In 2009, the PSA Board approved sanctions against Yong Xiong Ling for re-titling images and manipulation of nature images in PSA-recognized exhibitions. These sanctions expired at the conclusion of the **2012 PSA Conference**. Mr. Ling dropped his PSA membership

in April, 2011 but continues to exhibit in PSA-recognized exhibitions. Note that Carol Bailey, PSA Star Ratings Committee Chairperson, has indicated that: 1.) Mr. Ling continues to use more than one name for his submittals. He is also known as Yong Xiang Ling, Y. Shing Ling, Ling Y. Shing, (perhaps other combinations of Yong, Shing, Ling, Y., Xiang, and Xiong), and Anthony Ricketts. Carol also points out that 1) after the Board acted to put sanctions in place, Mr. Ling was entering exhibitions with his name written in Chinese; 2.) Mr. Ling is apparently loaning his images to others for submittal; and 3.) Mr. Ling continues to re-title certain images.

4. Waranun Chutchawantipakorn, APSA

In April, 2010, the PSA Board approved sanctions against Waranun Chutchawantipakorn for re-titling his own images in PSA-recognized exhibitions. These sanctions are in effect until the conclusion of the **2013 PSA Conference**. Mr. Chutchawantipakorn dropped his PSA membership in March, 2011, but he continues to exhibit in PSA-recognized exhibitions.

5. Graeme R. Guv

In April, 2010, the PSA Board approved sanctions against Graeme R. Guy for re-titling his own images and manipulation of nature images in PSA-recognized exhibitions. These sanctions are in effect until the conclusion of the **2013 PSA Conference**. Mr. Guy dropped his membership in PSA in 2010. However, he continues to exhibit in certain PSA-recognized exhibitions. Note that Carol Bailey, PSA Star Ratings Committee Chairperson, has indicated that Graeme Guy may be entering images in international exhibitions with an address in Malaysia under the name Ellen Hutchison, perhaps his wife's name.

6. Antonio Dammacco

In September, 2011, the PSA Board revoked the PSA membership of Antonio Dammacco for multiple violations of the PSA Code of Ethics, including for repeated "re-titling" of many images and for repeated entry of at least ten images which were not his own (plagiarism) in Society-recognized international exhibitions. The revocation of Mr. Dammacco's membership and the sanctions are **permanent**.

7. Godfrey Wong

In November, 2012, the PSA Board approved sanctions against **Godfrey Wong** for retitling his own images and manipulation of his own nature and photojournalism images in PSA-recognized exhibitions. These sanctions are in effect until the conclusion of the **2015 PSA Conference**.

8. Jose Luis Campetella

In December, 2012, the PSA Board revoked the PSA membership of **Jose Luis Campetella** for multiple violations of the PSA Code of Ethics, including repeated entry of 19 images which were not his own (plagiarism) in Society-recognized international exhibitions. The revocation of Mr. Campetella's membership and the sanctions are **permanent**.

Description of the Applicable Sanctions

Generally, the following sanctions apply to all of the above-listed PSA members or former PSA members. As noted in the introduction, each individual listed above –

- 1) Shall be deemed ineligible for any Society honor, distinction, award, or recognition until after the annual PSA Conference in the year named for each individual above. This includes no acceptance for publication of any kind in the *PSA Journal*, on the PSA website, or on any of the PSA "satellite" websites during the sanction period.
- 2) Shall not be listed in PSA's Who's Who in Photography during the sanction period;
- 3) Shall have no Star Rating or higher award in any PSA Division approved during the sanction period. In addition, generally, there is a penalty imposed on each individual for future Star Ratings;
- 4.) Shall not be eligible for any PSA medals or ribbons at any exhibition recognized by PSA during the sanction period;
- 5.) Shall not be eligible to hold any position of officer or director in the Society or any of its Divisions during the sanction period;
- 6.) Shall not be eligible to enter the annual PSA International Exhibition during the sanction period.
- 7.) Shall not be entitled to use any ROPA Distinction initials with their names for any reason during the sanction period.

These sanctions shall remain in force for the sanction period, regardless of PSA membership status.

These sanctions are imposed by the Photographic Society of America. Recognized exhibitions may impose additional sanctions in accordance with their own policies.

Sanctions in Effect for Violations of the FIAP Code of Ethics

The names below are of exhibitors on the FIAP Red List. While not all names on the FIAP Red List are under direct sanction by PSA, their names are being provided to make you aware of additional persons known to ignore the rules established by FIAP and PSA when entering Salons.

FIAP sanctions include prohibiting people on their list from entering exhibitions that have FIAP Patronage. Exhibitions recognized by PSA only may apply any sanctions or restrictions on these people in accordance with their own policies.

Robert Bannister (Royaume Uni, United Kingdom)

Jose Luis Campetella (Argentine, Argentina)

Dacai Xie (Chine, China)

Guy Graeme alias Ellen Hutchinson (Australia, Singapore or Malaysia)

Henri Van Herlé (Belgique; Belgium)

TP Huynh (Australie, Australia)

Peter Jones (Royaume Uni, United Kingdom)

Kwok-Miu Anthony (Hong-Kong)

Yong Xiong Ling alias Anthony Ricketts alias Y. Shing Ling alias Ling Y Shing

(Australie, Australia)

Fan Hui Ling (Taiwan)

Colin Mc Latchie, (Grande-Bretagne; Great Britain)

Charles Ho Yau Ming (Hong Kong)

Ivor Mitchell (Grande-Bretagne; Great Britain)

Monika Salgova (Slovaquie, Slovakia)

Husein Sljivo, (Bosnie Herzegovine, Bosnia Hercegovina)

Stuart Stott Jnr (Ecosse; Scotland)

Dre Van Mensel (Belgique, Belgium)

Peter J. Watson, (Grande-Bretagne; Great Britain)

Chung Man WONG (Hong-Kong)

Tsun Hsiung Chian (Taiwan)

Chi Chang Tsai (Taiwan)

Chun Liang Yeh (Taiwan)

Ming Hui Cheng (Taiwan)

Chun Yung Chou (Taiwan)

Yang Zong Hu (Taiwan)

Chuanhao Hsu (Taiwan)

Yu Pei Huang (Taiwan)

Yun Feng Perng (Taiwan)

Ge Xiao (Chine, China)

Xiaoxi Liao (Chine, China)