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THOMASCITA YAZZIE
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RE: CEASE AND DESIST LETTER

Dear THOMASCITA YAZZIE:

The Board of Nursing has received information that you have been representing yourself as a Certified Nursing Assistant. In or about May 2007 you applied for and accepted employment with All-In-One Staffing as a CNA. While employed with this agency you accepted shifts and worked as a CNA in local facilit(ies). Additionally, you provided this agency with a copy of a fraudulent certificate, CNA999848042. On or about July 14, 2007 in a telephonic interview with board staff you acknowledged that you had altered a document to reflect that your certificate was active and current and gained employment with this agency as a CNA. A review of board records show that on or about January 22, 1994 you were issued CNA034023803. As you are aware, this certificate was revoked July 12, 2002 and you do not hold a valid certificate to practice as a CNA in Arizona.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1666(A) (3): (A) It is unlawful for a person not licensed or certified under this chapter to: (3) Represent or use any title, abbreviation, letters, sign, card or device to indicate that he or any other person is a licensed practical nurse or a certified nursing assistant.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1649: Only a person who is currently certified by the board to practice as a nursing assistant shall use the title "certified nursing assistant" and the abbreviation "CNA".

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1667(2): A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who: (2) Engages in any conduct prohibited in section 32-1666.

The Arizona Board of Nursing demands that you immediately cease and desist implying to the public of Arizona that you are a Certified Nursing Assistant.

Be advised that the Board, will forward your case to the Office of the Attorney General for review for potential criminal charges.

If you have any questions regarding our investigation of the complaint, please contact Thereasa Huff, at 602-889-5208.

Sincerely,

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