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RE: CEASE AND DESIST LETTER

Dear Ms. Pittman:

The Board of Nursing has received information that you have been representing yourself as a licensed practical nurse. The complaint alleged that in or about May 2017, you were hired to provide private duty care for a male hospice patient, identified yourself as an LPN and tampered with the patient's bottle of Ativan. On November 5, 2013, you voluntarily surrendered your practical nursing license and your certified nursing assistant certificate. The Arizona Board of Nursing has found no evidence to support that you have applied for Reissuance or that you have been granted Reissuance your practical nursing license.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1666(A)(1)(2): It is unlawful for a person who is not licensed or certified under this chapter to: (1) Practice or offer to practice as a registered or practical nurse, registered nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist in this state.

(2) Represent or use any title, abbreviation, letters, figures, sign, card or device to indicate that the person or any other person is a registered nurse, graduate nurse, professional nurse, nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist or practical nurse.

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 nurse (LPN).

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

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If you have any questions regarding our investigation of the complaint, please contact Dolores Hurtado at (602) 771-7845.

Sincerely,



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