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Alfrdia L. Vaughn  
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### **RE: CEASE AND DESIST LETTER**

Dear Ms. Vaughn:

The Board of Nursing has received information that you have been representing yourself as a certified nursing assistant in Arizona. On or about May 12, 2003, you were sent a letter regarding the status of your application for certification as a nursing assistant. You were informed at that time that you were not yet certified in Arizona to represent or use the title CNA until the Board voted to grant certification. On or about July 31, 2003, during a conversation with the investigator assigned to your case, you were again informed that you were not certified in Arizona and could not use the title CNA. On September 19, 2003, in an open meeting, the Board considered your application for certification as a nursing assistant and voted to deny your certification. You were sent an Order of Denial by First Class and Certified mail to notify you of the Board's decision.

On December 1, 2003, the Board received verification from the Human Resource Department at Phoenix Specialty Medical Center that you have been working and representing yourself as a CNA from July 3, 2003 to present.

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

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 1667(2): A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who 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 ("CNA"). Be advised that the Board may turn your case over to the appropriate law enforcement agency and proceed with criminal action in a court of law.

If you have any questions regarding our investigation of the complaint, please contact Vicki Johansen, at 331-8111, ext. 151.

Sincerely,

Joey Ridenour, R.N., M.N.  
Executive Director