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MELISSA ANN ADDISON  
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**RE: CEASE AND DESIST LETTER**

Dear MELISSA ANN ADDISON:

The Board of Nursing has received information and documentation that you have been representing yourself as a licensed practical nurse/practical nurse. In November 2003, you completed an application for employment as an LPN with Infinia of Douglas and submitted a LPN license, with a number belonging to another individual, in order to secure this position. In addition, from November 14, 2003 to March 13, 2004, you accepted assignments and performed the duties of an LPN. There is no record at the Board of Nursing that validates that you have completed a program of study and/or hold a valid license for practical nursing.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1666(A)(1)(3): It is unlawful for a person who is not licensed or certified under this chapter to: (1) Practice or offer to practice professional or practical nursing in this state.

(3). Represent or use any title, abbreviation, letters, sign, card or device to indicate that the person or any other person is a licensed practical nurse or a certified nursing assistant.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1641: Only a person who holds a valid and current license to practice as a licensed practical nurse in this state or in a party state as defined in A.R.S. 32-1668 may use the title "nurse", "licensed practical nurse", "practical nurse" or the abbreviation "L.P.N."

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1606 (A) (4) The Board may refer criminal violations of this chapter to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

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 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 Thereasa Berry at (602) 889-5208.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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