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BY CERTIFIED AND REGULAR MAIL

August 25, 2010

Gina Verderosa-Lamm, C.C.R.
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Re: **I/M/O GINA MARIE VERDEROSA-LAMM, C.C.R.**
Certificate Number: 30XI00204300
Complaint Number: 65051

Offer of Settlement in Lieu of Disciplinary Proceeding

Dear Ms. Verderosa-Lamm:

This letter is to advise you that the New Jersey State Board of Court Reporting ("Board") has had an opportunity to review a consumer complaint, filed by Jerome L. Rose, C.C.R., concerning the professional court reporting services you provided to his reporting firm in or about May and June 2009. The complaint alleges, among other contentions, that you engaged in professional misconduct in your production of a transcript of a May 2009 planning board hearing.

Specifically, the information reviewed by the Board included, but is not limited to, the following documents:

1. A complaint letter, filed on or about June 22, 2009, by Jerome L. Rose, C.C.R., as well as any and all attachments and exhibits; and
2. A correspondence, dated June 29, 2009, from Gina Marie Verderosa-Lamm, C.C.R.

Upon review of all available information, the Board has found that probable cause exists to support a finding that you failed to comply with the provisions of the Court Reporting Practice Act and its accompanying regulations which are administered by the Board. Specifically, the Board found you violated N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h), in that you failed to deliver a transcript to a an ultimate client in a timely manner, contrary to N.J.A.C. 13:43-5.8(a)(4).

The Board's review of this matter revealed that you agreed to record a planning board hearing for Rizman, Rappaport, Dillon and Rose ("Agency") on or about May 18, 2009. You were advised by the agency that the transcript would be needed in two (2) weeks. By June 1, 2009, when you had not yet produced and/or delivered the completed transcript, the agency began calling you to request completion of the transcript. By June 18, 2009, you had still not completed or delivered the transcript. You finally prepared and delivered the requested transcript to the agency on or about June 24, 2009.

In your June 29, 2009 letter to the Board, you admitted that you had failed to prepare and deliver the transcript by the requested date. You indicated that there numerous reasons for this failure, including an equipment malfunction. Finally, you apologized for the inconvenience and aggravation your delay in the completion of the transcript had caused.

The Board, in its review of this complaint, has concluded that you violated its standards of practice regulation in that you failed to deliver the requested transcript to the agency and ultimately the client in a timely manner as determined by an agreement of the parties, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) and N.J.A.C. 13:43-5.89(a)(4). Specifically, the Board found that you were advised, prior to the commencement of the planning board hearing, that the transcript was to be completed within two weeks of the hearing. Yet, you did not complete and deliver the transcript until nearly four (4) weeks later. The Board finds that this conduct violates its standards of practice regulation.

At this juncture, the Board has determined that the above violations are sufficient to warrant the initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings against you. Notwithstanding that determination, however, the Board has decided that it will first offer you an opportunity to settle this matter, thereby avoiding the initiation of disciplinary proceedings, should you consent to:

1. Cease and desist from violations of the Board's standards of practice regulation, namely N.J.A.C. 13:43-5.8; and
2. A formal reprimand for your violation of its standards of practice regulation.

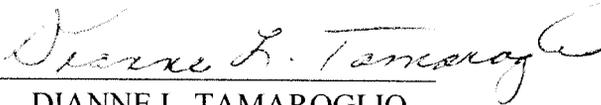
If you are willing to settle this matter on the offered settlement terms, you may do so by signing the acknowledgment at the bottom of this letter, and returning it to the Board office. In such event, this letter will be a matter of public record.

In the event that you are unwilling to settle this matter on the offered terms, it will be referred to the Attorney General's Office for the initiation of appropriate disciplinary action. In such event, you will be afforded an opportunity to defend against the alleged violations. If an evidentiary hearing is deemed warranted, the Board will either conduct that hearing at a date and time to be scheduled or refer the matter to the Office of Administrative Law. You are advised, however, that in the event that formal charges are filed, the Board may assess civil penalties in an amount greater than that herein offered in settlement should any charges against you be sustained. Additionally, the Board may, if the facts are found to so warrant, enter an order

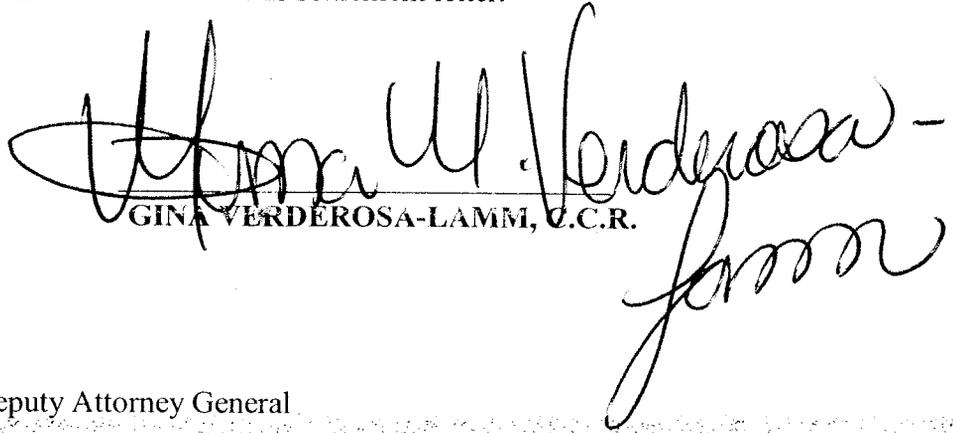
requiring you to reimburse certain monies and/or requiring you to pay costs incurred by the Board. Should you have any questions, concerning this letter or the settlement offer herein, I suggest you contact Deputy Attorney General Olga E. Bradford, who may be reached at (973) 648-3696.

If you elect to settle this matter presently, you should sign the acknowledgment at the bottom of this letter and return it to the Board within fifteen (15) days following your receipt of this letter. In the event that the Board receives no response from you within fifteen (15) days, the Board's settlement offer will be withdrawn, and the matter will be referred to the Attorney General's Office for the initiation of appropriate disciplinary action.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD
OF COURT REPORTING

By: 
DIANNE L. TAMAROGLIO
Executive Director

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: I, **GINA VERDEROSA-LAMM, C.C.R.**, hereby acknowledge that I have read and reviewed the settlement proposal set forth in the above letter. I acknowledge the conduct that has been charged. I am aware that, by signing this acknowledgment, I am waiving any rights I may have to defend myself against any charges of wrongdoing at an administrative hearing. I am also aware that the action taken against me by the Board herein is a matter of public record, and that this letter is a public document. I hereby agree to pay accept a formal reprimand for failing to comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:43-5.8. I also agree to comply with all other requirements set forth in this settlement letter.


GINA VERDEROSA-LAMM, C.C.R.

DATED:

cc: Olga E. Bradford, Deputy Attorney General

