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To: Danny Varat DannyVarat@scsenate.gov
CC: Veldran, Katherine KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov
Date: 1/17/2012 6:46:46 PM
Subject: RE: UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM

Danny – will have some further details for you on this case.

Joe

From: Danny Varat [mailto: DannyVarat@scsenate.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2012 2:03 PM
To: Lowder, Joe
Cc: Veldran, Katherine
Subject: FW: UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM

Joe, I need some further explanation on this one. Thanks,

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From: DOUGLAS GILL [mailto: dgill@gilldrilling.com]
Sent: Friday, January 13, 2012 6:13 PM
To: Danny Varat
Cc: SHANE MARTIN
Subject: UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM

Hi Danny,
Thanks for returning my call to Shane Martin so promptly.

I went ahead and faxed in a request for appeal for the unemployment claim we discussed although I almost decided not to do so for this reason - When we first received notice that the claimant had filed for unemployment, we responded with the letter written by Mary Gill along with the other attachments. This was after a phone conversation explaining the situation with the employee, and the unemployment office suggesting we send the letter as so written. This should have been sufficient for denial. But no, they still give unemployment to the claimant. So now it is my responsibility to file an appeal. What is wrong with the unemployment office? Why would they give unemployment checks to a self proclaimed business owner with active clients? Why not deny the claim and let the claimant file an appeal. I figure my word is as good as the employees.

I see why companies are prone not to fight the unemployment office on claims. It is very time consuming and usually nothing is done to prevent false or unjustified claims. I've been through this before when a 19 year unmarried father of two living with the girl applied for a job. I offered him a job \$2.00 above minimum wage and he turned it down saying he could make more on unemployment. I contacted the unemployment office, my local House Representative I use to fly for, sent several letters and nothing was done about it. He still drew unemployment.

If the representatives we elect into office do not do something about this, we will be bankrupt. Corruption abounds at the unemployment office. We offered this claimant to continue on with us in the same job at the same pay until she found something else. This claimant told us she was paid cash by her clients and so the unemployment office would not know she was making anything. We told her that was wrong. I still can not believe she applied. Why in the world does that office not do simple checks to verify statements. Unbelievable!

I've requested an appeal, but if do not get help from Shane I'm not planning on persuing this. I feel like I'm fighting this alone and no one else cares.

Thanks,

Doug

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