



State of North Carolina
Department of the Secretary of State

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SECRETARY OF STATE

GAIL L. ELUWA, DIRECTOR
CHARITABLE SOLICITATION LICENSING

Laura Long Collins, President
Carolina Cares, Inc. (EX009104)

May 12, 2021

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Dear Laura Long Collins:

The Charitable Solicitation Licensing Division (CSL) has determined that you meet the qualifications for an Exemption from the provisions of the Charitable Solicitation Act. Exemption states that a license is not required to solicit contributions in North Carolina.

The Exemption is granted to you on the following basis: As a "person" that receives under \$25,000 in contributions in any calendar year AND that does not provide compensation to any officer (including executive director), trustee, organizer, incorporator, fund-raiser, or solicitor.

The Exemption must be renewed annually based on receipts in a calendar year and whether compensation is paid to enumerated individuals. Failure to submit renewal request in a timely manner may result in penalties under the Charitable Solicitation Act, and/or the Exemption not being renewed. YOUR EXEMPTION EXPIRES ON June 15, 2022.

This Exemption, however, does not insulate you from criminal prosecution related to Charitable Solicitations in North Carolina. Changes in circumstances may affect qualifications for Exemption. CSL may modify or cancel any Exemption upon receipt of new or changed information.

Sincerely,

Renee Headspeth, CSL
Charitable Solicitation Licensing Division
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NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

Pursuant to Chapter 150B of the North Carolina General Statutes, if you wish to appeal the Department's decision set forth in the enclosed correspondence, you must file a Petition for a Contested Case Hearing at the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). Beginning on October 1, 2009, OAH is charging a filing fee for certain types of cases. The fee is payable at the time the Petition is filed. Additional details will be posted on the OAH website, www.ncoah.com, as the Rules concerning the filing fee are established. Further information related to OAH proceedings, including a form Petition and other documents, may also be accessed from the website or by writing to OAH at the following address:

Office of Administrative Hearings
6714 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-6714

The street address of OAH is as follows:

Office of Administrative Hearings
1711 New Hope Church Road
Raleigh, NC 27609

OAH Phone Number: 919-431-3000

OAH Fax Number: 919-431-3100

Under relevant provisions of N. C. Gen. Stat. §150B-23(f), you have sixty (60) days from the mailing date of the enclosed letter to appeal. If you do not appeal within the time set forth under North Carolina law, you will likely be forever barred from contesting the Order as the statute of limitations will have run. If you appeal, your Petition for a Contested Case Hearing must be served on the authorized agent of the Secretary of State, who is Ann Wall, General Counsel to the NC Department of the Secretary of State, PO Box 29622, Raleigh, NC 27626-0622. Service on CSL or any of its employees is not proper service.