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Alaskan Businesses Warned to Look Out for Deceptive Solicitation *"Alaska Council for Corporations" is NOT a state agency*

February 5, 2019 (**Juneau**) – The Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (CBPL) advises Alaska businesses they are not required to do business with, share information, or submit any payment to the business entity representing itself as "Alaska Council for Corporations."

The CBPL has received reports that an entity identifying itself as Alaska Council for Corporations is mailing solicitations titled "2019 Annual Records Solicitation Form" to Alaska businesses. The solicitation quotes, out of context, portions of Alaska Statutes in an effort to obtain money and information from Alaska businesses. Although the solicitation contains a statement that Alaska Council for Corporations is not a government agency and does not provide services on behalf of any government agency, businesses may misinterpret the official-looking document.

Any official correspondence, statement, or request from CBPL will clearly indicate State of Alaska origin by displaying the official state seal and Governor Michael J. Dunleavy's name in the document header. Businesses are encouraged to be diligent and familiarize themselves with statutory requirements. For more information, visit the division's website at www.corporations.alaska.gov and read [Notice: The Entity's Responsibilities](#) document (filed under General Information) and review the [WARNING: Deceptive Solicitations and Scams](#) webpage.

If you believe you have been the victim of an unfair or deceptive act, or if you want to report a practice that you think is unfair or deceptive, please contact the Alaska Department of Law Consumer Protection Unit at (907) 269-5200, or toll free outside of Anchorage at 1 (888) 576-2529. You can download a standard complaint form on the unit's website at www.law.alaska.gov/departments/civil/consumer/cp_complaint.html.

The Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing is a division of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development tasked with protecting consumers in Alaska. For information about the division, visit www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl. For information about the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development and its other agencies, visit www.commerce.alaska.gov. For more information and a deceptive solicitation letter example visit <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/Corporations/ScamSolicitationWarning.aspx>.

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