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Fraud Investigation Leads to Criminal Charges in Cabarrus County

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Raleigh, N.C. – Mr. Brandon Lane Gordon, Sr. has been charged with one count of obtaining property by false pretenses (N. C. Gen. Stat. §14-100) and one count of workers’ compensation fraud (N.C. Gen. Stat. §97-88.2) in Cabarrus County.

The Fraud Investigation Section of the North Carolina Industrial Commission initiated an investigation into Gordon after receiving a complaint from a concerned North Carolina Employer. Fraud Investigators believe Gordon was working while receiving workers’ compensation benefits and failed to disclose he was working for another employer in violation of N.C. Gen. Stat. §14-100. Furthermore, investigators also believe he made a misrepresentation on his North Carolina Industrial Commission Form 90 in failing to disclose he was working while receiving workers’ compensation benefits in violation of N.C. Gen. Stat. §97-88.2.

The Fraud Investigative Division consists of six (6) fraud investigators and an administrative assistant, who work collectively as a law enforcement agency responsible for conducting criminal investigations into suspected workers’ compensation fraud and potential violations of Workers’ Compensation Act.

“We don’t always understand the indirect effects of fraud,” said Compliance and Fraud Investigative Director Bryan A. Strickland, “In cases like this, it can lead to higher costs for the taxpayers. We need your assistance in helping us identify and reduce these types of frauds in our communities.”

To report a case of suspected fraud, you may contact investigators in several ways:

- By phone: 1-888-891-4895
- By email: fraudcomplaints@ic.nc.gov
- By mail: Fraud Investigations
Attn: Sam Constance
1233 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4333

A fraud checklist is available online at <http://www.ic.nc.gov/fraud.html>

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