

Julie I. Brown, Secretary

Ron DeSantis, Governor

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Dear Licensee:

Recently, you may have received electronic correspondence from the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) that appeared to be correspondence from the Department of Business & Professional Regulation related to a CPE Audit Service offered by NASBA. The correspondence included the DBPR logos and outdated information related to current leadership of the Department and the Florida Division of Certified Public Accounting. The NASBA correspondence may have appeared to suggest that the NASBA CPE Audit Service is offered by or preferred by the Division, and additionally, stated that the Board of Accountancy may require your use of this service if your license record is subject to an audit in the future.

To ensure clarity among our valued stakeholders, neither the Department nor the Division endorse any provider of services for tracking continuing professional education completion, and the Florida Board of Accountancy does not currently require the use of any particular provider or service for submitting records to the Board or the Division during a compliance audit. Accordingly, the Division has coordinated with our industry partners at NASBA to update their future correspondence related to these services to ensure clarification on these matters.

Importantly, the Division reminds you that, as a Florida-licensed certified public accountant, the tracking of your continuing professional education course credits, and any service you may employ for assistance with this tracking, is a matter of your discretion. Several professional organizations, including NASBA, the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and others, offer services for this purpose to the extent these options may be helpful to you in monitoring and maintaining compliance with continuing professional education requirements.

If you have questions regarding continuing professional education compliance or other matters related to your license, please contact the Division for further assistance. As always, our team welcomes the opportunity to be of support to you in maintaining compliance with your license requirements.

Sincerely,

Roger Scarborough
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