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IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

STATE OF ALASKA, Plaintiff, VS. ROSITA ANN FREDRICKSON DOB: 08/20/1973 **APSIN ID: 6516593** DMV NO.: 6516593 AK ATN: 115745877 Defendant.

No. 3AN-20-CR (Rosita Ann Fredrickson)

INFORMATION

I certify this document and its attachments do not contain the (1) name of a victim of a sexual offense listed in AS 12.61.140 or (2) residence or business address or telephone number of a victim of or witness to any offense unless it is an address identifying the place of a crime or an address or telephone number in a transcript of a court proceeding and disclosure of the information was ordered by the court. The following counts charge a crime involving DOMESTIC VIOLENCE as defined in AS 18.66.990:

> Count I - AS 47.05.210(a)(1) Medical Assistance Fraud Rosita Ann Fredrickson - 001

Count II - AS 47.05.210(a)(5) Medical Assistance Fraud Rosita Ann Fredrickson - 002

THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROSECUTIONS CHARGES:

COUNT I

That in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, on or about August of 2018 to February of 2019, at or near Anchorage, ROSITA ANN FREDRICKSON, knowingly submitted or authorized the submission of a claim to a medical assistance agency for property, services, or 1

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a benefit with reckless disregard that the claimant is not entitled to the property, services, or benefit, and the value of the property, services or benefit exceeded \$500.

All of which is a Felony class C offense being contrary to and in violation of 47.05.210(a)(1) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

COUNT II

That in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, on or about August of 2018 to February of 2019, at or near Anchorage, ROSITA ANN FREDRICKSON, knowingly made a false entry or falsely altered a medical assistance record.

All of which is a Misdemeanor class A offense being contrary to and in violation of 47.05.210(a)(5) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

The undersigned swears under oath this Information is based upon a review of police report 0932145 submitted to date.

Personal Care Assistants, or PCAs, are enrolled in Medicaid as home-based healthcare providers. The Alaska Medicaid Program pays PCA agencies to provide services of daily living to Medicaid recipients, which will allow Medicaid recipients to stay in their home rather than be placed in an assisted living home type setting. Medicaid recipients are evaluated for medical needs by an employee of the Department of Health and Social Services. The DHSS evaluator decides on an appropriate number of hours for the recipient to receive home healthcare based on the recipient's needs. The Medicaid recipient is then authorized to hire a PCA through a PCA agency to provide those home based healthcare services. The PCA fills out a timesheet for the work done over the course of specific day or week and both the PCA and the recipient (or guardian or power of attorney) signs the timesheet. The PCA then submits the timesheet to a

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The MFCU received a report from Cornerstone Home Care, a PCA agency, that Rosita Fredrickson, one of their employees, was not performing her PCA duties despite billing as if she were. The agency reported that they suspected Fredrickson of filling out timesheets fraudulently in the 2018-2019 time period, for which the agency submitted claims on Fredrickson's behalf to DHSS in Anchorage. Fredrickson claimed to be working as a PCA for six recipients in Angoon, Alaska, and the agency reported that there were problems with all six recipients. The case was assigned to MFCU Investigator Wright.

Investigator Wright spoke to each of those six recipients, all of whom stated that Fredrickson was not their PCA, and had never been their PCA, except for very brief amounts of time (i.e. one day). Investigator Wright told the recipients that he had paperwork indicating that each one of them had signed dozens of timesheets, totaling over a hundred signatures and initials each. Each of the recipients stated that they had not signed or initialed the timesheets, and provided signature exemplars to Investigator Wright. Based upon his lay reading, the handwriting of the recipients clearly did not match the signatures on the timesheets.

Investigator Wright interviewed Fredrickson. She stated that she had done some of the work – estimated at between 10% and 30% of what she claimed for some of the recipients. She stated that the rest of the timesheets were faked, and that she had signed the timesheets for the recipients. Fredrickson apologized and offered to pay the money back.

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MFCU Forensic Accountant Margaret Summers investigated the money Medicaid lost based upon Fredrickson's fraud. Summers stated that the losses due to Fredrickson's fraud totaled approximately \$23,848.62. Investigator Wright asked Summers to factor in Fredrickson's statement that while most of the work was faked, she had done some of the work for some of the recipients. Even giving Fredrickson every conceivable benefit of her statement, Summers calculated the loss due to Fredrickson's fraud as \$14.156.00. Investigator Wright tallied the signatures that Fredrickson confessed to faking, which totaled 413 fake signatures and initials after giving Fredrickson every benefit of her statement.

BAIL INFORMATION

Per the Alaska Public Safety Information Network, the defendant has no criminal history. The State believes she currently resides, or resided at the time of the investigation, in Washington State. The State requests a summons with appropriate bail set at arraignment.

Dated at Anchorage, Alaska, this 10th day of September, 2020.

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