Colleague:

The Social Security Administration’s requirements for issuing Social Security Number (SSN) printouts are less stringent than the requirements for issuing replacement SSN cards. Since SSN printouts have no physical security features, it is easier to counterfeit them, perpetrate SSN misuse, and commit identity theft.

To resolve this problem, beginning June 24, 2013, if your clients are applying for a replacement Social Security card, or simply asking for a printout of their Social Security numbers, they will need to provide us with proof of identity. They must also show us documents proving:

• U.S. Citizenship (if not established in our records), or
• Current work authorized immigration status/new valid non-work reason.

The attachment provides information on the documents now required to obtain an SSN replacement card or printout.

We would appreciate your help by sharing this information with your colleagues and members. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Associate Commissioner
for External Affairs