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From: Karen Minor (professionally known as Nichelle Hazelwood)

To: Dwayne “DJ Diamond K” Williams

Re: Unauthorized use of my voice in the song “Calling Your Name” by Drake

Dear Dwayne Williams,

I am writing to formally address a matter of concern that I know can and should be resolved privately and respectfully. It has come to my attention that my recorded voice appears in the song “Calling Your Name” by the artist Drake. I have identified my voice in the track and can confirm that I never granted permission, signed a release, or licensed the use of my vocal performance for this recording. I want to be clear that my goal is not to escalate this publicly or unnecessarily. However, the use of my voice without permission is a serious issue that impacts both my creative rights and professional interests. At this point, I feel it’s important to present a clear opportunity to resolve the matter directly and discreetly.

Resolution Request

To settle this matter and close it fully, I am requesting the following:

- A **one-time compensation payment of \$500,000 USD** to address the use of my vocal performance to date.
 - **Ongoing royalty payments** in a reasonable amount, aligned with industry standards, for the continued use and distribution of the song featuring my voice.
 - **Public credit** for my vocal contribution to “Calling Your Name,” listed under my pen name Nichelle Hazelwood, to appear in official credits, metadata, and future releases as appropriate.
 - Upon fulfillment of the above terms, I am **willing to sign a mutual non-disclosure and non-disparagement agreement (NDA)** to ensure this matter remains private and permanently closed for both parties.
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Next Steps

I have independently verified the presence of my voice in the track using professional auditory analysis. While I prefer not to publicize or escalate this situation, I am prepared to move forward with formal steps and supporting documentation if needed. My sincere preference is to resolve this matter privately, without further intervention. **Please provide a written response by Wednesday, May 28, 2025**, indicating whether you are willing to discuss and move forward with the settlement terms. This deadline is firm, as I am prepared to seek formal legal counsel if no communication is received by that date. Should you choose to resolve this directly, I am confident we can finalize the terms quickly and quietly. I am open to working through counsel if needed, and I hope you will see this as a reasonable path forward. I appreciate your attention to this matter and the opportunity to settle this between us with professionalism and respect.

Sincerely,

Karen Minor
(Nichelle Hazelwood)

