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QPS Celebrates National Staffing Employee Week

Brookfield, Wis. (September 16, 2009) – QPS Employment Group, a local staffing and recruiting firm, joins staffing companies across the country in celebrating National Staffing Employee Week! The week-long celebration was established by the American Staffing Association (ASA) to pay tribute to the millions of Americans who are employed by staffing firms every business day.

To coincide with the celebration, QPS has named Ebrima Jarju its “Associate Employee of the Year.” Ebrima’s story with QPS is quite unique. Jo Zillner, an Operations Manager for QPS’ Beaver Dam location, met Ebrima in 2001 while he was working as a restroom attendant at a restaurant in New York City.

Ebrima told Jo how his wage was only tips, and that he had to buy the towels, soap and lotion he was to hand out, and how a percentage of his tips had to be given to the restaurant. After he told her about his dreams to save enough money for college, she told him about staffing and how our industry helps people find great job opportunities and could provide him free on-the-job training.

She assured him if he decided to take this leap of faith, she would be there to assist him in any way she could. She gave him her business card and told him to call her if he decided to take her up on her offer. She was home a day when she got his call. He had purchased a bus ticket and was coming to Beaver Dam. The next week, she worked tirelessly trying to secure him housing and a job.

Ebrima began working putting pepperoni on pizzas. When he left there six years later, he was a Lead Person, and was responsible for keeping the line running smoothly at all times. Working at this company generally meant working 50-60 hours per week. During the slow seasons when he was only able to get 40 hours a week, he came to QPS and asked to help him find temporary work that would be flexible around his primary job. Between his regular job and the part-time temporary work QPS found for him, he was working 60+ hours a week. For the next three seasons, Ebrima worked for QPS at the same client company during the slower season at his regular job.

In 2007, Ebrima returned to New York City with the dream of owning/operating a taxi cab. He gave it his best shot, but felt that his heart was in Wisconsin.

In June of 2008, Ebrima returned to Beaver Dam and again came to see QPS for work. Due to his previous training, success and hard work in the small town of Beaver Dam, Ebrima’s reputation allowed him to select the company he wanted to work for. He started as a temp-to-hire employee and then was directly hired by that same client in September 2008. He was offered a very competitive wage, outstanding benefits and most importantly to Ebrima, with a company that firmly believes in professional growth and promoting from within. He is still currently working there.

Ebrima’s story is just one example of how the staffing industry helps people change their lives for the better. QPS is proud to celebrate “National Staffing Employee Week!”

About: QPS was founded in 1985 and has grown from a two-person operation to a company whose internal staff now numbers 200 employees in twenty one office locations throughout Wisconsin and Illinois. QPS has experienced substantial growth over the last twenty years. We currently employ more than 4,000 associate employees weekly and work with over 1,000 companies in Wisconsin and Illinois. QPS has earned a reputation for responding to both employees and customers, finding optimal employment for applicants and taking initiative to resolve customers' staffing needs.

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