## **Abusive or Deceptive Debt Collection Practices**

Plaintiff v. The Sagres Company Case No. 8:08-cv-237-T-17TBM

Saxon Gilmore filed a case in the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division on behalf of the plaintiff concerning a telephone call he received from a debt collector, The Sagres Company. The complaint alleges that The Sagres Company failed to properly identify themselves as a debt collector at the on set of the telephone call and that the purpose of the telephone was to collect a debt.

The complaint in the above-styled case alleged violations of the 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq., the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (the "FDCPA"). The complaint alleged that The Sagres Company intentionally engaged in conduct that was deceptive or misleading in violation of 15 U.S.C. §1692e when it failed to properly identify itself as a debt collector at the beginning of the telephone call. Also, the complaint alleged that The Sagres Company failed to provide the plaintiff with any written notice of the debt sought within the time prescribed 15.U.S.C § 1692g(a).

The matter settled prior to trial.

## Plaintiff v. American Medical Collection Agency and Quest Diagnostics, Inc. Case No. 08-cc-011249

Saxon Gilmore filed a case in Hillsborough County Court in Tampa, Florida on behalf of the plaintiff concerning an alleged medical services debt being collected by American Medical Collection Agency on behalf of Quest Diagnostics, Inc.

The complaint in the above-styled case alleged violations of the 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq., the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (the "FDCPA"), Florida Statutes § 559.55 et seq., the Florida Consumer Collection Practices Act (the "FCCPA"). The complaint alleges that after the plaintiff's insurance paid Quest Diagnostics for medical services rendered to her, Quest Diagnostics continued to attempt to collect the previously paid amounts through American Medical Collection Agency.

The matter settled prior to trial.