The largest-ever collection of enforcement actions against abusive debt collectors

Since 2010, the FTC has:

- Sued more than 250 debt collectors for breaking the law
- Secured judgments totaling nearly $350 million
- Banned 86 debt collectors from the industry

IT’S ILLEGAL FOR DEBT COLLECTORS TO:

- Lie about your debt, who they are, or what happens if you don’t pay
- Harass or threaten you
- Tell anyone about your debt

Debt collectors have to send you a written notice about your debt.

Learn more at ftc.gov/debtcollection

STOPPING Abusive Debt Collection

OPERATION Collection Protection

The FTC gets more complaints about debt collection than any other industry.