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SUMMARY OF CASES

	D. Ct.	Ct. App.*	S. Ct.	Total
PETITIONS FOR REVIEW	0	3	1	4
INJUNCTION AND CONSUMER REDRESS CASES	73	17	4	94
CIVIL PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT CASES	11	1	0	12
SUBPOENA AND CID ENFORCEMENTS	5	2	0	7
SUITS TO ENJOIN FTC ACTION AND OTHER DEFENSIVE LITIGATION	6	2	0	8
AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS	0	5	3	8
TOTALS	95	30	8	133

* Includes all cases in which appellate proceedings have taken place during the reporting period or are pending; these cases are not counted in the District Court column, even if such proceedings are going on simultaneously.

PETITIONS FOR REVIEW

(A) Orders to Cease and Desist

CONSUMERS FOR AUTO RELIABILITY & SAFETY v. FTC, No. 17-1038 (D.C. Cir.)

Parties:	Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety The Center for Auto Safety U.S. Public Interest Research Group California Public Interest Research Group Connecticut Public Interest Research Group Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group
Assigned Attorney:	Leslie Melman (OGC)
Nature of Action:	Petition for review of three final Commission orders.
Status:	Petition for review filed 2/6/17. Petitioners' motion to hold case in abeyance pending resolution of complaint filed in district court filed 3/8/17; Commission's consolidated opposition to abeyance and motion to dismiss filed 3/17/17.

ECM BIOFILMS, INC. v. FTC, No. 15-4339 (6th Cir.)

Parties:	ECM BioFilms, Inc. d/b/a Enviroplastics International
Assigned Attorneys:	Jack Metzler (OGC)
Nature of Action:	Petition for review of final Commission order.
Status:	Petition for review filed 12/6/15. Petitioner's opening brief filed 3/2/16. Commission's brief filed 5/4/16. Petitioner's reply brief filed 5/30/16. Oral argument heard 7/26/16. Opinion affirming Commission's final order entered 3/16/17.

FANNING v. FTC, No. 16-397 (S. Ct.); No. 15-1520 (1st Cir.)

Parties:	John Fanning
Assigned Attorneys:	Leslie Melman (OGC) Bradley Grossman

Nature of Action: Petition for review of the Commission's final order prohibiting Fanning and Jerk, LLC from deceiving users about the source of personal information on the now defunct website and misrepresenting the benefits of membership.

Status: Petition for review filed 4/28/15.
Motion to stay Commission's final order pending appeal filed 5/29/15.
Order granting temporary stay entered 5/29/15.
Commission's response filed 6/5/15.
Stay denied 7/14/15.
Defendant's opening brief filed 8/19/15.
Defendant's revised opening brief filed 8/25/15.
Commission's brief filed 10/19/15.
Oral argument heard 12/8/15.
Opinion affirming in large part Commission's final order entered 5/9/16.
Petition for certiorari filed 9/27/16.
Petition for certiorari denied 1/9/17.

LABMD, INC. v. FTC, No. 14-12144 (11th Cir.)

Parties: LabMD, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Jack Metzler (OGC)
Matthew Hoffman

Nature of Action: Petition for review of final Commission order.

Status: Petition for review filed 9/29/16.
Order granting stay entered 11/10/16.
Petitioner's opening brief filed 12/27/16.
Commission's brief filed 2/9/17.
Petitioner's reply brief filed 3/9/17.
Oral argument scheduled for 6/17.

(B) Rulemakings

(None Pending)

INJUNCTION AND CONSUMER REDRESS CASES

(A) Preliminary Injunctions (Mergers/Acquisitions)

FTC v. ADVOCATE HEALTH CARE NETWORK, No. 16-2492 (7th Cir.); No. 1:15-cv-11473 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Advocate Health Care Network
Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation
NorthShore University HealthSystem

Assigned Attorneys: Emily Bowne (BC/Mergers IV)
Christopher Caputo
Timothy Carson
Charles Dickinson
Kevin Hahm
Sean P. Pugh
Alexander Bryson
Joel Marcus (OGC)
Matthew Hoffman

Alleged Conduct: Action for preliminary injunction for violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 7 of the Clayton Act in conjunction with Advocate Helath Care Network and Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation's proposed affiliation with NorthShore University HealthSystem.

Status: Complaint filed 12/18/15.
TRO entered 12/23/15.
Order denying motion for preliminary injunction filed 6/14/16.
Commission's notice of appeal filed 6/15/16.
District court order granting motion for injunction pending appeal entered 6/17/16.
Commission's opening brief filed 7/15/16; appellees' brief filed 8/1/16; Commission's reply brief filed 8/12/16.
Oral argument heard 8/19/16.
Order reversing the district court's decision and remanding the case for further proceedings entered 11/16/16.
District court order granting motion for preliminary injunction entered 3/7/17.

(B) Preliminary Injunctions (Other)

(None pending)

(C) Permanent Injunctions/Consumer Redress*

FTC v. 4 STAR RESOLUTION, LLC, No. 1:15-cv-112 (W.D.N.Y.)

Parties:	4 Star Resolution, LLC d/b/a Consumer Recovery Group d/b/a Four Star Capital Services d/b/a Four Star Resolution Services, LLC d/b/a FS Mediation Group Profile Management, Inc. International Recovery Service, LLC Check Solutions Services, Inc. Check Fraud Service, LLC Merchant Recovery Service, Inc. Fourstar Revenue Management, LLC Travell Thomas Maurice Sessum Charles Blakely, III
Assigned Attorneys:	Brian N. Lasky (NER) Karen A. Dahlberg Robin E. Eichen Laura Zuckerwise
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with the collection of debt or purported debt.
Status:	Complaint filed 2/9/15. TRO entered 2/9/15. Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 6/2/15. Commission's motion for preliminary injunction with asset freeze filed 8/5/15; memorandum in opposition by Charles Blakely filed 9/15/15; memorandum in opposition by 4 Star Resolution, LLC filed 9/23/15. Preliminary injunction with asset freeze entered 11/21/15.

* Unless otherwise noted, cases involve suits for permanent injunction and other equitable relief. Post-judgment proceedings in district court are not generally reported.

Order modifying terms of preliminary injunction with asset freeze and retention of records by financial institutions and other third parties entered 2/17/16.

FTC v. AAFE PRODUCTS CORPORATION, No. 3:17-cv-00575 (S.D. Cal.)

Parties:	AAFE Products Corporation JBE International, LLC BSDC, Inc. KADC, Inc. Purestrike, Inc. BNRI Corporation f/k/a Bernheim & Rice, Inc. Brian Bernheim Joshua Bernheim Jared Coates Robert Koch
Assigned Attorneys:	Michelle Schaefer (BCP/ENF) Robert Frisby
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with Defendants' online marketing of cooking and golf-related products.
Status:	Complaint filed 3/23/17.

FTC v. ABBVIE, INC., No. 2:14-cv-5151 (E.D. Pa.)

Parties:	AbbVie, Inc. Abbott Laboratories Unimed Pharmaceuticals, LLC Besins Healthcare, Inc. Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc.
Assigned Attorneys:	Markus Meier (BC) Patricia M. McDermott Kara Monahan Peter Taylor
Alleged Conduct:	Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act arising from baseless patent infringement lawsuits against potential generic competitors.
Status:	Complaint filed 9/8/14.

Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 11/12/14; Commission's brief in opposition filed 12/12/14.
Order granting defendants' motion to dismiss Count II of the complaint entered 5/6/15.
Commission's motion for entry of judgment under Rule 54(b) filed 6/5/15; response in opposition by Abbott Laboratories, Abbvie, Inc. and Unimed Pharmaceuticals filed 6/25/15; Commission's reply filed 7/2/15.
Order holding Commission's pending Rule 54(b) motion in abeyance entered 7/8/15.
Commission's motion for reconsideration of dismissal filed 7/20/15; defendant's response filed 7/31/15; reply filed 8/7/15.
Motion for reconsideration denied 8/25/15.
Motion to direct entry of partial final judgment under Rule 54(b) denied 8/26/15.

FTC v. ABC HISPANA, INC., No. 5:17-cv-00252 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties:	ABC Hispana, Inc. ISB Latino, Inc. ABC Latina, LLC Gonzalo Ricardo Bazan Jimenez Milagros Raquel Urmeneta
Assigned Attorneys:	Sophia Calderon (NWR) Laura Solis
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the marketing of English-language learning materials through unsolicited telemarketing calls.
Status:	Complaint filed 2/13/17. Ex parte TRO with asset freeze and other equitable relief entered 2/14/17.

FTC v. ACTAVIS, INC. (formerly WATSON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.), No. 12-416 (S. Ct.); Nos. 12-16488, No. 10-12729 (11th Cir.); No. 1:09-CV-00955 (N.D. Ga.), formerly No. 2:09-CV-00598 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties:	Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Par Pharmaceuticals Companies, Inc. Paddock Laboratories, Inc. Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Assigned Attorneys:	Markus Meier (BC) Saralisa Brau Cynthia A. Liebes (SER)

Mark S. Hegedus (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Action for a permanent injunction and other equitable relief for violations of the Sections 1 and 2 of the Sherman Act and Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with agreement between brand name drug manufacturer and generic manufacturers delaying entry of generic drug.

Status:
Complaint in C.D. Cal. filed 1/27/09.
Amended complaint filed 2/12/09.
Defendants' motion to transfer case to Northern District of Georgia filed 2/27/09; Commission's opposition filed 3/16/09; defendants' reply filed 3/23/09; order transferring case to N.D. Ga. entered 4/9/09.
Second amended complaint filed 5/28/09.
Commission's motion to stay proceeding filed 6/15/09; defendants' opposition filed 6/17/09; Commission's reply filed 7/6/09; order denying motion entered 7/17/09.
Defendants' motions to dismiss second amended complaint filed 7/20/09; Commission's opposition filed 8/21/09; defendants' replies filed 9/11/09.
Order granting motion to dismiss Commission's second amended complaint entered 2/22/10.
Judgment dismissing Commission's claims with prejudice entered 4/21/10
Notice of appeal filed 6/10/10.
Commission's opening brief filed 7/26/10.
Defendants' answering brief filed 11/10/10.
Commission's reply brief filed 12/15/10.
Oral argument heard 5/13/11.
Opinion affirming district court issued on 4/25/12.
Commission's petition for rehearing *en banc* filed 6/11/12.
Order denying petition for rehearing *en banc* entered 7/18/12.
Commission's petition for writ of certiorari filed 10/4/12.
Petition granted 12/7/12.
Commission's petition to district court to unseal document filed 12/10/12; motion granted and temporary stay pending appeal entered 12/19/12.
Notice of appeal of order unsealing document by AbbVie Products filed 12/21/12; emergency motion to expedite briefing and stay unsealing order filed 12/26/12; granted 1/10/13.
Commission's Supreme Court merits brief filed 1/22/13.
AbbVie Products' opening brief in 11th Circuit filed 1/31/13; Commission's response filed 2/7/13; AbbVie Products' reply filed 2/19/13.
Respondents' Supreme Court briefs filed 2/21/13.
Commission's Supreme Court reply brief filed 3/18/13.
Oral argument in 11th Circuit held 3/20/13.
11th Circuit opinion affirming district court order lifting seal

and dissolving stay filed 3/21/13.
Supreme Court grant of Solicitor General's motion to lift seal on sealed volume of joint appendix entered 3/22/13.
Supreme Court oral argument heard 3/25/13.
Supreme Court decision in favor of the FTC, reversing the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals and remanding the case for further proceedings consistent with its opinion entered 6/17/13.
Eleventh Circuit order vacating the district court judgment and remanding the case to the district court entered 9/9/13.
Order making Eleventh Circuit's mandate the judgment of the district court entered 11/15/13.
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 1/15/14; Commission's opposition filed 2/14/14; defendant's reply brief filed 3/3/14.
Order denying motion to dismiss entered 4/21/14.
Motion for interlocutory appeal by Paddock Laboratories, Inc. and Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc. filed 4/22/14; Commission's opposition filed 5/6/14; oral argument heard 5/9/14; motion denied 5/9/14.
Motion for summary judgment by Actavis Holdco U.S. filed 10/4/16; Commission's opposition filed 12/1/16; reply filed 12/9/16.
Commission's unopposed motion to dismiss with prejudice as to defendants Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc. and Paddock Holdings LLC entered 2/2/17; order granting motion entered 2/7/17.

FTC v. ADEPT MANAGEMENT, INC., No. 1:16-cv-00720 (D. Ore.)

Parties:
Adept Management, Inc.
Anchor Publishing Group, Inc.
Associated Publishers Network, Inc.
Atlas Business Consulting, LLC
Clarity Group, LLC
Consolidated Publishers Exchange, Inc. d/b/a Premier Subscription Services, Processing Express Solutions
Crown Resource Management, LLC
Customer Access Services, Inc.
Express Publishers Service, Inc. d/b/a Associated Billing Service, Associated Periodical Network, Associated Publishers Readership, Billing Services of Circulation, Circulation Billing Marketplace, Circulation Network Services d/b/a Global Billing Service d/b/a Lakeshore Publishers Billing, Magazine Billing Network, Magazine Distribution Marketplace, Magazine Payment Processing, National Magazine Network, Publication Network Services, Publishers Billing Marketplace, Publishers Distribution Network, Publishers Magazine Services, Readers Magazine Services, Readers Payment

Network, Subscription Billing Agency, Subscription Billing Network, United Billing Service, United Publishers Agency

HCG, Inc.

Henry Cricket Group, LLC

Hoyal & Associates, Inc.

Liberty Publishers Service, Inc. d/b/a Allied Publishing Services, American Consumer Publishers Association, Associated Publishers Services, Billing Services of America, Bradford Publishing Service, Circulation Billing Services, Global Publishers Center, Lakeshore Publishers Service, Magazine Billing Services, Magazine Distribution Service, Magazine Payment Services, Magazine Subscriber Services, Magazine Subscriptions Center, National Magazine Services, Periodical Billing Services, Platinum Subscription Service, Publication Service Networks, Publishers Access Services, Publishers Billing Services, Publishers Consolidated Subscription Services, Publishers Distribution Center, Publishers Education Services, Publishers Magazine Billing, Publishers Magazine Payment, Publishers Marketplace Services, Publishers Network Exchange, Publishers Payment Services, Publishers Periodical Service, Publishers Processing Service, Publishers Services Exchange, Readers Billing Services, Readers Payment Service, Seascape Publishers Network, Slo Call Center, Subscription Billing Service, Subscription Payment Exchange, Subscription Payment Services, United Publishers Services

Magazine Clearing Exchange

Magazine Link, Inc.

Maximillian, Inc. d/b/a Maxmillian, Inc.

Northwest Data Services, LLC

PPP Magazines, Inc.

Publishers Payment Processing, Inc.

Reality Kats, LLC

Specialties, Inc.

Subscription House Agency, Inc.

United Publishers Exchange, Inc. d/b/a Associated Publishers Network, Circulation Billing Network, Magazine Billing Associates, Premier Subscription Network, Publishers Billing Network, Publishers Magazine Exchange

Wineoceros Wine Club, Inc.

Linda Babb

Shannon Bacon a/k/a Shannon Balero, Shannon Gordon

Jeffrey Hoyal

Lori Hoyal

Colleen Kaylor

Laura Lovrien a/k/a Laura Babb

Noel Parducci a/k/a Noel Littlefield, Noelle Littlefield

Lydia Pugsley a/k/a Lydia Babb

Dennis Simpson

William Strickler

Assigned Attorneys: Krista Bush (NWR)
Laura Solis
Richard McKewen
Connor Shively

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with a nationwide campaign relying on misrepresentations to solicit newspaper renewals and new subscriptions from consumers.

Status: Complaint filed 4/27/16.
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 6/27/16; Commission's opposition filed 7/11/16; order denying motion to dismiss entered 11/3/16.
Motions for stay pending resolution of criminal proceedings filed 1/27/17; Commission's response filed 1/31/17; replies filed 2/17/17; motions denied 2/23/17.

FTC v. ADVERTISING STRATEGIES, LLC, No. 2:16-cv-3353 (D. Ariz.)

Parties: Advertising Strategies, LLC
Internet Advertising Solutions, LLC
Internet Resource Group, Inc.
Network Advertising Systems, LLC
Network Professional Systems, LLC
Network Solutions Group, Inc.
Matthew Rodriguez
Susan Marie Rodriguez
William Matthew Whitley a/k/a Matt Whitley

Assigned Attorneys: Jody Goodman (BCP/MP)
Andrew Hudson

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with a telemarketing scheme offering "risk-free" money making opportunities.

Status: Complaint filed 10/4/16.
TRO with asset freeze entered 10/4/16.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 10/18/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction with asset freeze as to all defendants entered 10/20/16.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 3/8/17.

FTC v. ALL US MARKETING, No. 6:15-cv-1016 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties:	All US Marketing, LLC, f/k/a Payless Solutions, LLC Global Marketing Enterprises Inc., f/k/a Pay Less Solutions, Inc. Global One Financial Services, LLC Your #1 Savings, LLC Ovadaa, LLC Royal Holdings of America, LLC GRR Financial Services, LLC Auto Guardian USA, LLC Premier Marketing International, LLC Gary Rodriguez, d/b/a Global Financial Services, LLC d/b/a Engineering Development Enterprise, LLC d/b/a PBMS, LLC Marbel Rodriguez, d/b/a American Best Savings LLC d/b/a Americas First Source, LLC Carmen Williams Jonathan Paulino Fariborz Fard Shirin Imani Alex Serna d/b/a GRR Financial Service, LLC d/b/a AJC Global Solutions, LLC Christian Serna Kimberly Coarse
Assigned Attorneys:	James Davis (MWR) John Hallerud Elizabeth Scott
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with credit card interest rate reduction services.
Status:	Complaint filed 6/22/15. TRO entered 6/22/15. Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Royal Holdings of America LLC, Ovadaa LLC, Carmen Williams, and Jonathan Paulino, Fariborz Fard, Shirin Imani, Global Marketing Enterprises, Inc., Gary Rodriguez, Marbel Rodriguez, Alex Serna entered 7/7/15. Preliminary Injunction as to All Us Marketing LLC entered 7/7/15. Amended complaint filed 10/6/15. Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Kimberly Coarse, Auto Guardian USA, LLC, and Premier Marketing International, LLC entered 12/3/15. Motion for entry of stipulated final judgment and permanent injunction as to defendants Fariborz Fard, Shirin Imani, and Global Marketing Enterprises, Inc. filed 12/3/15; motion denied 12/4/15. Default judgment as to defendants All Us Marketing, Fariborz Fard, GRR

Financial Services, Global Marketing Enterprises, Shirin Imani and Christian Serna entered 3/21/16.

Motion for default judgment as to remaining defendants filed 5/27/16; motion denied 7/13/16; renewed motion for default judgment filed 8/3/16.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and final judgment as to Alex Serna, Kimberly Coarse, Auto Guardian USA, Premier Marketing International, Gary Rodriguez, Your #1 Savings, Marbel Rodriguez, Global One Financial Services, Jonathan Paulino, Royal Holdings of America, Carmen Williams, and Ovada, LLC entered 6/8/16.

Motion for default judgment as to All Us Marketing, LLC, GRR Financial Services, and Christian Serna filed 9/12/16; motion denied 10/17/16.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and final judgment as to defendants Fariborz Fard, Shirin Imani, and Global Marketing Enterprises, entered 11/1/16.

Renewed motion for default judgment, permanent injunction, and monetary relief as to defendants All Us Marketing LLC, GRR Financial Services, and Christian Serna filed 11/4/16; motion denied 11/16/16.

Order to show cause why the Clerk's defaults entered against All Us Marketing, GRR Financial, and Christian Serna should not be vacated as having been improperly granted entered 11/16/16; Commission's response filed 11/30/16.

Motion for default judgment as to GRR Financial Services filed 1/12/17; motion granted 1/13/17.

Second motion for default judgment as to defendants All Us Marketing, GRR Financial Services, and Christian Serna filed 1/20/17.

Trial scheduled for 6/13/17.

FTC v. ALLERGAN, No. 1:17-cv-00312 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Allergan, PLC
Allergan Finance, LLC
Watson Laboratories, Inc.
Endo International, PLC
Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Markus Meier (BC/HC)
Daniel Bradley
Daniel Butrymowicz
Eric Sprague
Jamie Towey
Nicolas Leefer

Alleged Conduct: Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, and acquisition in violation of Section 7 of the Clayton Act in connection with Defendants' reverse payment agreement.

Status: Complaint filed 1/23/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction entered 2/2/17.

FTC v. AMAZON.COM, No. 2:14-cv-1038 (W.D. Wash.)

Parties: Amazon.com

Assigned Attorneys: Jason Adler (BCP/FP)
Laura Marie Solis
Katharine Roller

Alleged Conduct: Unfair practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with Amazon's billing for charges related to activity within software applications.

Status: Complaint filed 7/10/14.
Amazon's motion to dismiss filed 9/08/14; Commission's response filed 9/29/14; Amazon's reply filed 10/3/14.
Order denying Amazon's motion to dismiss entered 12/1/14.
Order adopting stipulated protective order entered 1/12/15.
Motion for partial summary judgment by defendant filed 2/2/16; Commission's opposition filed 2/22/16; defendant's reply filed 3/2/16; order granting motion entered 4/26/16.
Motion for summary judgment by Commission filed 2/2/16; defendant's opposition filed 2/23/16; Commission's reply filed 2/26/16; order granting motion entered 4/26/16.
Order awarding monetary relief but denying an injunction entered 11/10/16.
Notice of appeal filed 1/6/17.

FTC v. AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES, LLC, No. 1:16-cv-00281 (D. Md.)

Parties: American Industrial Enterprises, LLC
Easton Chemical Supply, Inc.
Lighting X-Change Company, LLC
LMS Lighting and Maintenance Solutions, LLC
Werner International Enterprises, Inc.
Benjamin Cox
Vincent Stapleton
John Tharrington
TBC Companies, Inc. (relief defendant)

Assigned Attorneys: Jonathan Kessler (ECR)
Maria Del Monaco
Michael Rose

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule and the Unordered Merchandise Statute in connection with the sale of nondurable office or cleaning supplies through interstate telephone calls.

Status: Complaint filed 2/1/16.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze entered 2/2/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants John Tharrington and Vincent Stapleton entered 2/29/16.
Preliminary injunction as to defendants Lighting X-Change Company, American Industrial Enterprises, LLC, Easton Chemical Supply, Inc., LMS Lighting & Maintenance Solutions, LLC and Werner International Enterprises entered 2/29/16.
Settlement agreement with defendants Lighting X-Change, Vincent Stapleton and John Tharrington filed 9/23/16.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendant Vincent Stapleton and John Tharrington entered 12/22/16.

FTC v. AMERICA MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORPORATION, No. 4:17-cv-00168 (E.D. Tex.)

Parties: American Municipal Services Corporation d/b/a Warrant Enforcement Division, Municipal Enforcement Division
Lawrence Bergman a/k/a Larry Bergman
Gregory Pitchford a/k/a Greg Pitchford

Assigned Attorneys: Luis Gallegos (SWR)
Aaron Haberman
Thomas Carter

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with Defendants' third-party debt collection of municipal debts

Status: Complaint filed 3/7/17.
Stipulated permanent injunction and final judgment entered 3/21/17.

FTC v. AMG SERVICES, INC., Nos. 16-17197, 14-16468 (9th Cir.); No. 2:12-cv-00536 (D. Nev.)

Parties: AMG Services, Inc.

Red Cedar Services, Inc., d/b/a 500FastCash
SFS, Inc., d/b/a OneClickCash
Tribal Financial Services, Inc., d/b/a Ameriloan, d/b/a UnitedCashLoan, d/b/a USFastCash, d/b/a Miami Nation Enterprises.
AMG Capital Management, LLC
Level 5 Motorsports, LLC
Lead Flash Consulting, LLC
Black Creek Capital Corporation
Broadmoor Capital Partners, LLC
Muir Law Firm, LLC
Scott A. Tucker
Blaine A. Tucker
Timothy J. Muir
Don E. Brady
Robert D. Campbell
Troy L. LittleAxe
Park 269 LLC
Kim C. Tucker

Assigned Attorneys: Nikhil Singhvi (BCP/FP)
Iona Rusu
Jason Schall

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5, the Truth in Lending Act, and the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, in connection with offering and extending credit, payday loans, and the collection of those loans.

Status: Complaint filed 4/2/12.
Motion to dismiss by all defendants filed 5/25/12; Commission's response filed 6/11/12.
Partial withdrawals of motions to dismiss filed 10/15/12 and 10/16/12.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 12/27/12.
Commission's amended motion for partial summary judgment filed 3/7/13; defendants' responses filed 3/25/13.
Motion for legal determination on tribal sovereign immunity by defendants AMG Services, Inc., Red Cedar Services, Inc., SFS, Inc., and Tribal Financial Services filed 4/8/13; cross-motion for legal determination by defendant Troy Little Axe filed 4/10/13; Commission's response filed 4/19/13.
Commission's amended complaint filed 4/12/13.
Report and recommendation by magistrate that Commission's motion for partial summary judgment and defendant's motion for legal determination on tribal sovereign immunity be granted in part and denied in part entered 7/16/13.
Joint motion for permanent injunction and judgment as to defendants AMG Services, SFS, Inc., MNE Services, Inc., AMG Capital

Management, LLC, Level 5 MotorSports, LLC, LeadFlash Consulting, LLC, Black Creek Capital Corp., Broadmoor Capital Partners, LLC, Scott A. Tucker, Blaine A. Tucker, Don E. Brady, Robert D. Campbell, and Troy L. Little Axe, Jr. filed 7/18/13.

Motion for summary judgment by Commission filed 9/30/13; Muir defendants' opposition filed 11/29/13; remaining defendants' opposition filed 12/4/13; Commission's reply filed 12/20/13.

Motions for summary judgment by defendants filed 9/30/13; Commission's opposition filed 12/4/13; defendants' reply filed 12/20/13.

Order granting joint motion for permanent injunction and judgment as to defendants AMG Services, SFS, Inc., MNE Services, Inc., AMG Capital Management, LLC, Level 5 MotorSports, LLC, LeadFlash Consulting, LLC, Black Creek Capital Corp., Broadmoor Capital Partners, LLC, Scott A. Tucker, Blaine A. Tucker, Don E. Brady, Robert D. Campbell, and Troy L. Little Axe, Jr. entered 10/8/13.

Report and recommendation by magistrate that Commission's motion for summary judgment be granted in part and denied in part, and that defendant's motion for summary judgment be denied, entered 1/28/14; defendant's objections filed 2/14/14; Commission's response filed 3/2/14.

Order adopting magistrate's 7/16/13 report and recommendations entered 3/7/14.

Order adopting magistrate's 1/28/14 report and recommendations entered 5/29/14.

Stipulation and order to dismiss defendants Timothy J. Muir and the Muir Law Firm, LLC entered 9/8/14.

Order denying settling defendants' motion to enforce settlement entered 7/16/14; notice of appeal filed 7/30/14; Ninth Circuit order dismissing appeal for lack of jurisdiction entered 10/30/14.

Stipulated permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants AMG Services and MNE Services, Inc. entered 1/23/15.

Stipulated permanent injunction and monetary judgment against defendants Troy Little Axe, Jr., Don Brady and Robert Campbell entered 3/17/15.

Motion for preliminary injunction by the Commission filed 5/8/15; responses filed 5/26/15.

Stipulated orders for permanent injunction and equitable monetary relief as to defendants Red Cedar Services, Inc. and SFS, Inc. entered 11/25/15.

Motion for summary judgment by Commission filed 1/20/16; defendants' opposition filed 2/26/16; Commission's reply filed 3/18/16.

Motion for summary judgment by defendants filed 1/20/16; Commission's opposition filed 2/26/16; defendants' reply filed 3/18/16.

Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment, denying defendants' motion for summary judgment, and awarding

permanent injunction and monetary relief of $1.3 billion entered 9/30/16.
Notice of appeal filed 11/29/16.
Appellant's opening brief due 7/14/17; Commission's answering brief due 8/14/17; appellant's reply brief due 8/28/17.

FTC v. APPLY KNOWLEDGE, LLC, No. 2:14-cv-0088 (D. Utah)

Parties: Apply Knowledge, LLC, d/b/a Apply Knowledge Institute and Coaching Dept.
Dahm International, LLC
Dominion of Virgo Investments, Inc.
Ecommerce Support, LLC
Essent Media, LLC
Evertex Solutions, LLC
EVI LLC, d/b/a Members Learning Center
Nemrow Consulting, LLC
Novus North, LLC, d/b/a Mymentoring, Yes International, LLC and Your Ecommerce Support International, LLC
Purple Buffalo, LLC, d/b/a NetMarketing
Supplier Source, LLC
365 Dailyfit, LLC, d/b/a Net Training
Vensure International
VI Education, LLC
David Gregory Bevan
Jessia Bjarnson
Phillip Edward Gannuscia
Chad Huntsman
Richard Nemrow
Jeffrey Nicol
Thomas Riskas
Babata Sonnenberg
Ken Sonnenberg

Assigned Attorneys: Connell McNulty (BCP/MP)
Benjamin Davidson
Thomas Biesty
Collot Guerard
Michael D. Bergman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 and the Telemarketing and Consumer Fraud Abuse and Prevention Act in connection with work-from-home business opportunity scheme.

Status: Complaint filed 2/10/14.
TRO entered 2/11/14.

Stipulated preliminary injunction and asset freeze as to defendant David Bevan entered 3/20/14.
Commission's motion to dismiss Sonnenberg defendants' counterclaim filed 5/27/14; motion granted without prejudice on 1/30/15.
Order granting Motion to Dismiss Sonnenberg defendants' counterclaim entered 4/9/15.
Amended complaint filed 5/14/15.
Notice of death of defendant Chad Huntsman filed 6/9/15.
Permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to David Bevan entered 6/24/15.
Stipulated settlement order as to defendants Apply Knowledge, Evertex Solutions, Suppler Source, and Ken Sonnenberg entered 2/17/16.
Stipulated settlement order as to defendant VI Education LLC entered 7/21/16.
Commission's motion for summary judgment against remaining corporate defendants and remaining individual defendants filed 12/5/16.

FTC v. AT&T MOBILITY, LLC., No. 15-16585 (9th Cir.); No. 3:14-cv-04785 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: AT&T Mobility, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: David M. Newman (WRSF)
Lin Kahn
Laura Fremont
Linda K. Badger
Matthew D. Gold
Evan Rose
Maricela Segura (WRLA)
Joel Marcus (OGC)
Matthew Hoffman

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the marketing of wireless broadband internet access service for smartphones.

Status: Complaint filed 10/28/14.
Motion to dismiss by AT&T Mobility filed 1/5/15.
Order denying motion to dismiss entered 3/31/15.
AT&T Mobility's motion for leave to take interlocutory appeal filed 4/9/15; Commission's response filed 4/23/15; AT&T Mobility's reply filed 4/30/15.
Order granting AT&T Mobility's motion to appeal entered 5/15/15.
Petition to Ninth Circuit for permission to appeal by AT&T Mobility filed 5/26/15; Commission's response filed 6/8/15.
Order granting interlocutory review entered 8/10/15.
Motion to stay pending appeal filed 8/18/15.

Stay denied 9/25/15.
Appellant's opening brief filed 11/18/15; Commission's answering brief filed 2/3/16; Appellant's reply brief filed 2/22/16.
Oral argument heard 6/17/16.
Opinion reversing the district court and ordering that the Commission's complaint be dismissed entered 8/29/16.
Commission's petition for rehearing en banc filed 10/13/16; AT&T's response filed 11/8/16.

FTC v. AURA LABS, INC., No. 8:16-cv-2147 (C.D. Cal)

Parties: Aura Labs, Inc. d/b/a AuraLife, Aura Ware
Ryan Archdeacon

Assigned Attorneys: Amy Hocevar (ECR)
Nicole Guinto
Dana Barragate

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act in connection with the marketing of a mobile device software application purported to measure blood pressure.

Status: Complaint filed 12/2/16.
Order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 12/9/16.

FTC v. BIG DOG SOLUTIONS, LLC, No. 1:16-cv-06607 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Big Dog Solutions, LLC d/b/a Help Desk National and Help Desk Global
PC Help Desk US, LLC d/b/a Help Desk National and Help Desk Global
Inbound Call Specialist, LLC
Blackoptek CE, Inc.
9138242 Canada Corporation
Digital Growth Properties, LLC
Christopher J. Costanza
Suzanne W. Harris
Muzaffar Abbas
Gary Oberman
Donald Dolphin
Justin Powers
State of Florida (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: James Davis (MWR)
Matthew Wernz

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act,

the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act in connection with marketing of computer security and technical support services.

Status: Complaint filed 6/24/16.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze, appointment of a receiver, other equitable relief entered 6/28/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunctions as to all defendants entered 7/28/16.

FTC v. BLUEHIPPO FUNDING, LLC, Nos. 11-374, 16-1599, 17-669 (2d Cir.); No. 1:08-cv-01819 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: BlueHippo Funding, LLC
BlueHippo Capital LLC
Joseph K. Rensin

Assigned Attorneys: Amanda C. Basta (BCP/ENF)
Michael D. Bergman (OGC)
David C. Shonka

Alleged Conduct: Contempt proceeding for violations of a permanent injunction in connection with the sale of personal computers, televisions, and other consumer electronics.

Status: Complaint filed 2/22/08.
Stipulated final judgment and order for permanent injunction entered 4/9/08.
Motions for contempt and to modify permanent injunction against BlueHippo Funding, LLC, BlueHippo Capital LLC, and Joseph K. Rensin filed 11/17/09.
Order to show cause why defendants should not be held in contempt entered 11/16/09; modified 11/18/09.
Defendants' memoranda of law filed 12/7/09 and 12/11/09; Commission's reply memoranda of law filed 12/11/09 and 12/12/09.
Trial held 2/9/10-2/11/10; closing argument held 2/19/10.
Order granting motion for contempt entered 7/27/10; judgment entered 7/30/10.
Commission's motion to amend/correct judgment and order filed 8/27/10; defendants' opposition filed 9/24/10; Commission's reply filed 10/8/10.
Order denying Commission's motion to amend/correct judgment and order entered 12/1/10.
Commission's notice of appeal re contempt order filed 1/28/11.
Notice of appeal filed 2/1/11.
Commission's brief filed 5/16/11.
Appellee's brief filed 8/15/11.

Commission's reply brief filed 9/12/11.
Argument held 2/23/12.
Opinion vacating the district court's judgment and remanding the case to the district court entered 8/12/14.
Appellee Joseph Rensin's petition for rehearing filed 9/25/14.
Order denying Joseph Rensin's petition for rehearing entered 11/17/14.
Oral argument before the district court concerning applicability of presumption of reliance held 6/4/15.
Opinion and order ruling that Commission is entitled to presumption of consumer reliance entered 11/6/15.
Final judgment imposing compensatory contempt sanctions entered 4/19/16.
Notice of appeal by Rensin filed 5/18/16.
Appellant's opening brief filed 8/29/16; Commission's answering brief filed 11/28/16; appellant's reply brief filed 12/9/16.
Suggestion of bankruptcy and automatic stay by Rensin filed 2/15/17; Commission's opposition filed 2/16/17; reply filed 2/27/17.
Order rejecting application of automatic bankruptcy stay entered 3/6/17.
Notice of appeal filed 3/7/17.
Motion to stay contempt proceeding pending appeal filed 3/10/17; Commission's opposition filed 3/23/17; reply filed 3/29/17; order granting temporary stay entered 3/27/17.
District court order finding defendant Rensin in contempt, but staying order due to appeals court's temporary stay order entered 3/28/17.

FTC v. BLUE SAGUARO MARKETING, LLC, No. 2:16-cv-3406 (D. Ariz.)

Parties:
Blue Saguaro, LLC d/b/a Blue Saguaro Grant Program, Gera Grant, Government Grant Service, Grant Center, Grant Resources
Marketing Ways, LLC d/b/a Amazon.com Associates Program
Max Results Marketing, LLC d/b/a Amazon.com Associates Program, Amazon Affiliate Program, Amazon Associates Central, Gera Grant, Grant Strategy Solutions
Oro Canyon Marketing II, LLC
Paramount Business Services, LLC d/b/a Paramount Business Resources
Stephanie A. Bateluna
Stacey C. Vela
Carl E. Morris, Jr.

Assigned Attorneys:
Elsie Kappler (BCP/ENF)
Hong Park

Alleged Conduct:
Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the sale and offering for sale of grants and home-based internet business opportunities.

Status: Complaint filed 10/7/16.
Ex parte TRO entered 10/11/16.
Order extending ex parte TRO entered 10/25/16.
Preliminary injunction as to defendants Blue Saguaro, Marketing Ways, Max Results Marketing, Oro Canyon Marketing, Paramount Business Services, Carl Morris, Jr., and Stephanie Bateluna entered 10/28/16.
Clerk's entry of default as to Blue Saguaro, Marketing Ways, Max Results Marketing, and Oro Canyon entered 11/28/16.

FTC v. BREATHOMETER, INC., No. 3:17-cv-00314 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Breathometer, Inc.
Charles Michael Yim

Assigned Attorneys: Janet Evans (BCP/AP)
Elizabeth Sanger

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act in connection with the advertising of alcohol breathalyzers.

Status: Complaint filed 1/23/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief entered 1/30/17.

FTC v. BUNZAI MEDIA GROUP, No. 2:15-cv-04527 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Bunzai Media Group, Inc., d/b/a Aura Vie, Miracle Face Kit, Attitude Cosmetics
Pinnacle Logistics, Inc.
DSA Holdings, Inc.
Lifestyle Media Brands, Inc.
Agoa Holdings, Inc.
Zen Mobile Media, Inc.
Safehaven Ventures, Inc.
Heritage Alliance Group, Inc.
AMD Financial Network, Inc.
SBM Management, Inc.
Media Urge, Inc.
Adageo, LLC
Calenergy, Inc.
Kai Media, Inc.
Insight Media, Inc.
Alon Nottea
Motti Nottea
Doron Nottea

Igor Latsanovski
Oz Mizrahi
Roi Reuveni
Kristopher Bond
Charlene C. Koonce
Focus Media Solutions, Inc.
Secured Commerce, LLC
Secured Merchants, LLC
USM Products, Inc.
Merchant Leverage Group
DMA Media Holdings, Inc.
Shalita Holdings, Inc.
All Star Beauty Products, Inc.
Alan Argaman
Paul Medina
Chargeback Armor, Inc. (relief defendant)

Assigned Attorneys: Reid Tepfer (SWR)
Luis Gallegos
Raymond McKown

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act, the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act (ROSCA), and the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (EFTA).

Status: Complaint filed 6/15/15.
TRO entered 6/16/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Oz Mizrahi entered 7/23/15.
Preliminary injunction as to Alon Nottea and Roi Reveni entered 7/23/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Doran Nottea and Motti Nottea entered 7/24/15.
Order that TRO will continue as to defendants Calenergy, Inc. and Igor Latsanovski entered 8/6/15.
Default as to Adageo, LLC, Agoa Holdings, Inc, Bunzai Media Group, Inc, also doing business as Aura Vie doing business as Miracle Face Kit doing business as Attitude Cosmetics., DSA Holdings, Inc., Heritage Alliance Group, also doing business as Aura Vie Distribution, Inc, Insight Media, Inc., Kai Media, Inc., Lifestyle Media Brands, Inc, Media Urge, Inc, Safehaven Ventures, Inc, SBM Management, Inc, and Zen Mobile Media, Inc. entered by the clerk 8/13/15.
Preliminary injunction as to defendants Igor Latsanovski and Calenergy, Inc. entered 9/9/15.
Amended complaint filed 10/9/15.
Protective Order entered 2/8/16.
Motion for summary judgment by defendants Igor Latsanovski and Calenergy, Inc. filed 4/18/16.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Defendants Oz Mizrahi, Motti Nottea, and Paul Median entered 5/17/16.
Commission's motion for partial summary judgment filed 6/6/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendant Roi Reuveni entered 7/19/16.
Default judgment and order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief as to defendants BunZai Media Group, Inc., Pinnacle Logistics, Inc., DSA Holdings, Inc., Lifestyle Media Brands, Inc., Agoa Holdings, Inc., Safehaven Ventures, Inc., Heritage Alliance Group, Inc., SBM Management, Inc., Media Urge, Inc., Kai Media, Inc., Insight Media, Inc., Secured Commerce, LLC, Secured Commerce, LLC, Shalita Holdings, Inc., USM Products, Inc., All Star Beauty Products, Inc., AMD Financial Network, Inc., DMA Media Holdings, Inc., Focus Media Solutions, Inc., and Merchant Leverage Group, Inc. entered 8/22/16.
Commission's renewed motion for summary judgment as to defendants Alan Argaman and Secured Merchants, LLC filed 9/19/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary relief as to defendants Adageo, LLC, Calenergy, Inc., Zen Mobile Media, Inc., Alon Nottea, Doron Nottea, and Igor Latsanovski entered 9/26/16.
Clerk's entry of default as to Khristopher Bond entered 1/27/17.

FTC v. CAPITAL ENTERPRISES, INC., No. 1:15-cv-08407 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Capital Enterprises, Inc. f/k/a David Gates, Inc. d/b/a Gordon James Enterprises d/b/a Maxwell Gates Enterprises d/b/a Maxwell Scott Enterprises d/b/a Preston Lord Enterprises d/b/a Warner Daniel Enterprises
Java Enterprises, LLC
Mason Grace Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Mason Grace Ventures
Preston Lord Enterprises of New York, LLC d/b/a Preston Lord Enterprises
David S. Brookman

Assigned Attorneys: Savvas S. Diacosavvas (NER)
Darren H. Lubetzky
Laura A. Zuckerwise
Karen Dahlberg

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) and the Business Opportunity Rule in connection with the marketing of work-at-home programs.

Status: Complaint filed 10/29/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 10/30/15.

Ex parte TRO with asset freeze entered 11/3/15.
Motion for entry of default judgment against all defendants filed 1/7/16.
Order to show cause entered 3/22/16.
Motion for entry of default judgment withdrawn 4/28/16.

FTC v. CAPITOL NETWORK DISTANCE LEARNING, No. 2:16-cv-00350 (D. Ariz.)

Parties:	Capitol Network Distance Learning Programs, LLC Capital Network Digital Licensing Programs, LLC Veritas Sales, Inc. Nicholas A. Pollicino a/k/a Nick Pollicino Anthony J. Calvien Adam F. Pollicino
Assigned Attorneys:	Gregory A. Ashe (BCP/FP) Katharine Roller
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Sections 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with defendant's marketing and sale of fake high school diplomas.
Status:	Complaint filed 2/8/16. TRO entered 2/17/16. Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 3/11/16. Order granting motion to stay case for 120 days to consider settlement agreements entered 11/29/16. Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and settlement of claims as to all defendants entered 2/13/17.

FTC v. CD CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC, No. 8:14-cv-1033 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties:	CD Capital Investments, LLC CD Capital, LLC GDS Information Systems, Inc. Christian D. Quezada Mireya Duenas Gabriel Drews Stewart Tuan Dinh Duong a/k/a, Thomas Duong, Andrew Vu, and Kevin Young
Assigned Attorneys:	Mark L. Glassman (BCP/FP)
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive practices in violation of Section 5 and the Mortgage Assistance Relief Services Rule in connection with the marketing and sale of mortgage assistance relief services.
Status:	Complaint filed 7/7/14.

Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 8/21/14.
Amended complaint adding defendant Tuan Dinh Duong filed 4/2/15.
Motion for summary judgment by the Commission filed 9/4/15; opposition by defendant Tuan Dinh Duong filed 10/2/15; Commission's reply filed 10/8/15; order granting Commission's motion as to Duong entered 3/1/16.
Commission's motion for default judgment against defendants CD Capital Investments, LLC, CD Capital, LLC, GDS Information Services, Inc, Christian D. Quezada, and Gabriel D. Stewart filed 3/24/16; order granting in part Commission's motion entered 8/22/16.
Permanent injunction and order for equitable monetary relief as to defendants CD Capital Investments, LLC, CD Capital, LLC, GDS Information Services, Inc, Christian D. Quezada, and Tuan Dinh Duong entered 8/22/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendant Gabriel Drews Stewart entered 2/21/17.

FTC v. CLICK4SUPPORT, LLC, No. 15-3937 (3rd Cir.); No. 2:15-cv-05777 (E.D. Pa.)

Parties: Click4Support, LLC
iSourceUSA d/b/a Click4Support d/b/a UBERTECHSUPPORT
Innovazion, LLC d/b/a Click4Support Tech Services
Spanning Source, LLC d/b/a Click4Support
Bruce Bartolotta a/k/a Bruce Bart
George Saab
Chetan Bhikhubhai Patel
Niraj Patel
Innovazion Research Private Limited
Abhishek Gagneja
Rishi Gagneja

Assigned Attorneys: Fil M. De Banate (ECR)
Christopher D. Panek
Nicole J. Guinto

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of 5(a) and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the defendants' telemarketing scheme purporting to offer technical support services.

Status: Complaint filed 10/26/15.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze and other equitable relief entered 10/27/15.
Preliminary injunction entered 11/10/15.
Notice of appeal (15-3937) filed 12/8/15.
Mediation hearing held 3/1/16.
Commission's amended complaint filed 5/17/16.
Appellants' opening brief filed 4/29/16; Commission's answering brief

filed 7/5/16; order granting motion to stay briefing schedule pending outcome of consent discussions entered 7/27/16.

Motion for default judgment as to defendant iSourceUSA, LLC filed 9/2/16; motion granted 2/3/17.

Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Innovazion, LLC, Abhishek Gagneja, and Rishi Gagneja entered 9/13/16.

Motion for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Click4Support, Bruce Bartolotta, Chetan Patel, Niraj Patel, George Saab and Spanning Source filed 12/13/16.

Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Spanning Source, Niraj Patel, and Chetan Patel entered 2/3/17.

Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Click4Support, Bruce Bartolotta, and George Saab entered 2/7/17.

FTC v. COMMERCE PLANET, INC., No. 16-345 (S. Ct.); Nos. 15-55510, 12-57064, 14-56528 (9th Cir.); Nos. 8:14-cv-01529, 8:09-cv-01324 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Commerce Planet, Inc. d/b/a Online Supplier
Michael Hill
Charles Gugliuzza
Aaron Gravitz

Assigned Attorneys: David M. Newman (WRSF)
Eric D. Edmondson
Michele Arington (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Unfair and deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 in connection with the marketing and sale of Online Auction Starter Kits and automatic debiting of monthly charges to consumer credit cards.

Status: Complaint filed 11/10/09.

Stipulated final orders for permanent injunction and monetary relief against Commerce Planet, Inc., Michael Hill, and Aaron Gravitz entered 11/18/09.

Motion to dismiss as to defendant Charles Gugliuzza filed 1/19/10;

Commission's opposition to motion filed 2/1/10; defendants' reply filed 2/8/10; order denying defendants' motion to dismiss entered 2/12/10.

Defendant Charles Gugliuzza's answer impleading Superfly Advertising, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and Superfly Advertising, Inc. (an Indiana corporation) as third-party defendants filed 4/16/10; amended answer adding counterclaim against Commission filed 5/4/10.

Motion to dismiss Charles Gugliuzza's counterclaim filed 5/25/10; Gugliuzza's opposition filed 6/21/10; Commission's reply filed 6/28/10.

Motion to dismiss third-party defendant Superfly Advertising, Inc. filed 6/22/10; Gugliuzza's opposition filed 7/19/10; reply by third-party defendant Superfly Advertising, Inc. filed 7/26/10.

Order granting third-party defendant Superfly Advertising's motion to dismiss entered 8/5/10.

Amended third-party complaint against counter defendants Superfly Advertising, Inc. (an Indiana corporation) and Superfly Advertising, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) by defendant Charles Gugliuzza filed 8/25/10.

Motion to dismiss first amended third-party complaint by third-party defendant Superfly Advertising, Inc. filed 9/15/10; order granting motion entered 10/27/10.

Second amended third-party complaint against counter defendants Superfly Advertising, Inc. (an Indiana corporation) and Superfly Advertising, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) by defendant Charles Gugliuzza filed 11/16/10.

Motion to dismiss second amended third-party complaint by third-party defendant Superfly Advertising, Inc. filed 11/29/10; order granting motion entered 12/28/10.

Motion for summary judgment by defendant Charles Gugliuzza filed 4/22/11.

First amended complaint for permanent injunction and other equitable relief filed 6/29/11.

Defendant Charles Gugliuzza's motion for summary judgment filed 7/27/11;

Commission's opposition filed 8/22/11; reply filed 8/29/11; order denying motion for summary judgment entered 9/8/11.

Trial held 1/31/12-2/28/12.

Post-trial briefs submitted 3/23/12.

Appellant filed his reply 1/31/14.

Memorandum of decision in favor of the Commission and directing Commission to file proposed permanent injunction and judgment entered 6/22/12.

Final order and permanent injunction as to all defendants entered 7/17/12.

Defendant Charles Gugliuzza's notice of appeal filed 11/13/12.

Appellant's opening brief filed 7/5/13; Commission's answering brief filed 11/18/13; appellant's reply brief filed 1/31/14.

Notice of defendant Charles Gugliuzza's appeal to the 9th Circuit filed 9/6/14.

Order dismissing appeal as duplicative of pending appeal 12-57064 entered 9/19/14; Gugliuzza's motion for reconsideration filed 9/25/14; motion denied 3/3/16.

Notice regarding appeal (No. 8:14-cv-01529) from bankruptcy court's ruling that Gugliuzza's debt to the Commission is nondischargeable entered 9/22/14.
Gugliuzza's opening brief in bankruptcy appeal filed 12/5/14; Commission's answering brief due 1/16/15; Gugliuzza's reply brief due 1/30/15.
Oral argument in merits appeal held 2/9/15.
Oral argument in district court regarding bankruptcy appeal held 2/26/15.
Order by district court affirming in substantial part and reversing in part the bankruptcy court's order on nondischargeability entered 3/12/15.
Notice of appeal by Gugliuzza filed 4/2/15.
Appellant's opening brief filed 8/7/15; Commission's brief filed 11/5/15; appellant's reply brief filed 12/8/15.
Opinion of the Ninth Circuit affirming district court's determination of liability and authority under Section 13(b) to hold Gugliuzza jointly and severally liable for consumer losses, but vacating in part and remanding for clarity whether basis for monetary award was joint and several liability, entered 3/3/16.
Petition for rehearing en banc filed 4/18/16; petition denied 5/16/16.
Modified final judgment and order for permanent injunction as to Defendant Gugliuzza entered 8/25/16.
Petition for certiorari filed 9/14/16; Commission's opposition filed 11/16/16.
Petition for certiorari denied 1/19/17.
Oral argument in Ninth Circuit bankruptcy appeal heard 12/7/16.
Opinion of the Ninth Circuit dismissing bankruptcy appeal for lack of jurisdiction entered 3/24/17.

FTC v. CONSUMER ASSISTANCE, LLC, No. 1:16-cv-21528 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Consumer Assistance, LLC f/k/a Back Office Law, LLC d/b/a Consumer Assistance Project
Consumer Assistance Project Corp. f/k/a Non-Profit Guardian Services, Inc. f/k/a Back Office Law Project, Corp.
Palermo Global, LLC
Chastity Valdes
State of Florida (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Adam Wesolowski (BCP/FP)
Matthew Wilshire

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, the Credit Repair Organizations Act, and the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act in connection with the marketing and sale of student loan debt relief and credit repair

services.

Status: Complaint filed 4/19/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 6/8/16.
Default judgment as to all defendants entered 6/27/16.
Permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 12/30/16.

FTC v. CONSUMER HEALTH BENEFITS ASS'N, No. 1:10-CV-03551 (E.D.N.Y.)

Parties:
Consumer Health Benefits Association
Jeffery Burman
Century Senior Services
Guarantee Trust Life Insurance
Richard Holson III
Louis Leo
National Association for Americans
National Benefits Consultants, LLC
National Benefits Solutions, LLC
John Schwartz
Barbara Taube
Rita B. Werner
Ronald K. Werner
Vantage America Solutions
Windi Tow

Assigned Attorneys: Karen A. Dahlberg (NER)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with defendants' marketing, distribution, and sale of medical discount plans.

Status: Complaint filed 8/03/10.
Stipulation and order modifying ex parte TRO as to defendant Louis Leo entered 8/25/10.
Stipulation and order modifying ex parte TRO as to defendants Ron Werner and Rita Werner entered 8/25/10.
Stipulated preliminary injunction order as to defendant Louis J. Leo entered 9/21/10.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Ron Werner and Rita Werner entered 10/01/10.
Preliminary injunction as to corporate defendants entered 10/5/10.
Clerk's entry of default as to corporate defendants 11/15/10.
Stipulation and order modifying the preliminary injunction order as to defendants Louis Leo, Rita and Ronald Werner entered 3/31/11.
Commission's motion for leave to amend complaint naming additional defendants filed 5/06/11; magistrate judge's decision granting motion entered 8/18/11.
Appeals of magistrate judge's decision by proposed defendants filed 9/06/11.
Commission's amended complaint filed 10/13/11.
Motions to dismiss by filed 11/22/11; Commission's response in

opposition filed 12/13/11.
Orders denying all motions to dismiss entered 5/23/12 & 5/24/12.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 7/23/2013; opposition by John Schwartz and Wendi Tow filed 8/30/13 and 11/7/13; partial oppositions by Rita Brum Werner, Ronald Kent Werner, Jeffrey Burman, Century Senior Services, Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company, Richard Holson, III, Barbara Taube, Vantage America Solutions, Inc. filed 11/6/13; cross-motions for summary judgment by Rita Werner, GTL, Vantage, Century, Rick Holson, Jeff Burman, and Barbara Taube filed 9/4/13, 9/5/13 and 9/6/13.
Order granting motion by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to modify the stipulated order of preliminary injunction entered 12/5/13.

FTC v. CREDIT BUREAU CENTER, LLC, No. 1:17-cv-00194 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties:	Credit Bureau Center, LLC, f/k/a MyScore, LLC d/b/a efreescore.com, credit updates.com, and freecreditnation.com Michael Brown Danny Pierce Andrew Lloyd
Assigned Attorneys:	Guy Ward (MWR) Samuel Levine
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act, and the Fair Credit Reporting Act in connection with the marketing of credit monitoring services.
Status:	Complaint filed 1/10/17. Ex parte TRO entered 1/11/17. Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Danny Pierce and Andrew Lloyd entered 2/8/17.

FTC v. D & S MARKETING SOLUTIONS, INC., No. 8:16-cv-01435 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties:	D & S Marketing Solutions, Inc. d/b/a US Corporate Compliance Office d/b/a Office of Compliance and Safety Standards d/b/a Occupational Safety and Compliance Administration Sean K. Juhl
Assigned Attorneys:	Barbara Bolton (SER)
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the operation of a telemarketing scheme that deceived owners of newly-opened businesses into spending money on government

regulation posters that could be obtained for free.

Status: Complaint filed 6/6/16.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze, appointment of a receiver, and other equitable relief entered 6/8/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 6/20/16.
Amended stipulated preliminary injunction entered 9/9/16.

FTC v. DAMIAN KUTZNER, No. 8:16-cv-00999 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Damian Kutzner
Vito Torchia, Jr.
Jonathan Tarkowski
R. Geoffrey Broderick
Charles T. Marshall
Brookstone Law P.C. d/b/a Brookstone Law Group (California)
Brookstone Law P.C. d/b/a Brookstone Law Group (Nevada)
Advantis Law P.C.
Advantis Law Group P.C.

Assigned Attorneys: Benjamin Theisman (BCP/ENF)
Gregory Madden
Thomas Syta (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Mortgage Relief Services Rule in connection with the marketing of mortgage assistance relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 5/31/16.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze, appointment of receiver, limited expedited discovery, and other equitable relief entered 6/1/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Vito Torchia Jr. entered 6/24/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Damian Kutzner, Charles Marshall, Jonathan Tarkowksi, Advanits Law P.C. and Advantis Law Group P.C. entered 6/24/16.
Preliminary injunction as to Geoffrey Broderick, Brookstone Law P.C. (California and Nevada) entered 6/27/16.
Amended complaint filed 7/6/16.
Preliminary injunction as to Jeremy Foti entered 8/25/16.
Clerk's entry of default as to Brookstone Law (California), Brookstone Law PC (Nevada), Advantis Law, Advantis Law Group entered 9/8/16.
TRO with appointment of temporary receiver entered 10/19/16.
Preliminary injunction with appointment of receiver as to Jeremy Foti entered 11/15/16.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief as to Jonathan Tarkwoski entered 1/6/17.
Order dismissing Damian Kutzner entered 2/1/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief as to Vito Torchia entered 2/15/17.

FTC v. DAYTON FAMILY PRODUCTIONS, INC., Nos. 13-17448, 16-15859 (9th Cir.); No. 2:97-cv-00750 (D. Nev.)

Parties: Glen E. Burke d/b/a American Health Associates, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Reenah L. Kim (BCP/ENF)
Sarah Waldrop
Joel Marcus-Kurn (OGC)
Blaine T. Welsh (AUSA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of a 1998 order for permanent injunction in connection with telemarketing, by misrepresenting to consumers that they have won a valuable prize and requiring payment in order to retrieve the alleged prize.

Status: Complaint filed 6/20/97.
Permanent injunction entered 10/1/98.
Motion for contempt and stipulated preliminary injunction filed 1/28/13.
Order granting preliminary injunction entered 3/5/13.
Hearing held 9/5/13.
Order finding civil contempt liability entered 9/27/13.
Notice of appeal filed 11/26/13.
Commission's motion in district court for an indicative ruling and to clarify judgment filed 2/10/14.
Commission's motion in court of appeals to suspend briefing schedule and stay proceeding filed 2/11/14; order by court of appeals staying case entered 2/14/14.
Commission's motion in court of appeals for remand filed 3/4/14; order remanding case entered 3/14/14.
Order by district court reaffirming its 9/27/13 order of contempt entered 7/28/14.
Appellant's opening brief filed 10/23/14; Commission's answering brief filed 12/24/14; appellant's reply brief filed 12/31/14.
Judgment reversed by memorandum disposition entered 6/11/15.
Amended clerk's judgment against the defendant entered 8/18/15.
Order finding defendant in contempt of order and to pay contempt sanctions entered 3/16/16.
Notice of appeal filed 5/11/16.
Appellant's opening brief filed 9/16/16; Commission's answering brief

filed 12/1/16; appellant's reply brief filed 12/14/16.

FTC v. DEVRY EDUCATION GROUP, INC., No. 2:16-cv-579 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties:	Devry Education Group, Inc. f/k/a DeVry, Inc. Devry University, Inc. Devry/New York, Inc.
Assigned Attorneys:	Christina V. Tusan (WRLA) John D. Jacobs Thomas J. Syta Barbara Chun Faye Chen Barnouw Yan Fang (WRSF) Sarah E. Schroeder
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the advertisement and promotion of defendant's degree programs.
Status:	Complaint filed 1/27/16. Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 3/10/16; Commission's opposition brief filed 4/4/16; reply filed 4/18/16; order denying motion to dismiss entered 5/9/16. Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and settlement of claims as to all defendants entered 12/19/16.

FTC v. DIRECTV, INC., No. 3:15-cv-01129 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties:	DirecTV, Inc. DirecTV, LLC
Assigned Attorneys:	Eric D. Edmondson (WRSF) Boris Yankilovich Erika R. Wodinsky Jacob A. Snow Raymond E. McKown (WRLA) Stacy R. Procter Kenneth Abbe
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violations of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and Section 4 of the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with the marketing of multi-channel video programming subscription service.
Status:	Complaint filed 3/11/15.

Motion for partial summary judgment by DirecTV filed 10/13/15; Commission's response filed 11/24/15; DirecTV's reply filed 1/25/16.
Oral argument on defendants' partial motion for summary judgment held 3/4/16.
Commission's motion for partial summary judgment filed 9/22/16; order granting in part and denying in part partial motion for summary judgment entered 11/26/16.
Defendants' motion to dismiss, and alternatively, for partial summary judgment filed 12/01/16; Commission's response filed 12/26/16; motion denied 12/27/16.

FTC v. DISCOUNTMETALBROKERS, INC., No. 2:16-cv-2112 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: DiscountMetalBrokers, Inc. f/k/a Discount Gold Brokers, Inc., Discount Discount Metal Brokers, Inc. d/b/a Discount Gold Brokers, North American Discount Gold.com
Donald Lee Dayer d/b/a Lee Dayer
Katherina Dayer
Michael Berman

Assigned Attorneys: Megan A. Bartley (BCP/ENF)
Elizabeth J. Averill
Maricela Segura (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Merchandise Rule in connection with the advertisement and sale of gold and silver.

Status: Complaint filed 3/29/16.
Amended complaint filed 10/27/16.
Clerk's entry of default as to defendants Discountmetalbrokers and Michael Berman entered 1/17/17.

FTC v. D-LINK CORPORATION, No. 3:17-cv-00039 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: D-Link Corporation
D-Link Systems, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Laura Berger (BCP/DPIP)
Kevin Moriarty
Cathlin Tully

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the design, marketing, and sale of routers and internet-protocol cameras.

Status: Complaint filed 1/5/17.

FTC v. DOTAUTHORITY.COM, INC., No. 0:16-cv-62186 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: DOTAuthority.com, Inc. d/b/a On-line Registration
DOTFilings.com, Inc.
Excelsior Enterprises International, Inc. d/b/a DOTFilings.com, UCR Registration, UCR Filings, James P. Lamb & Associates
JPL Enterprises International, Inc. d/b/a DOTAuthority.com, DOTFilings.com, On-line Registration, Registration Services Online, James P. Lamb & Associates
James P. Lamb
Uliana Bogash a/k/a Juliana Bogash, Yuliana Bogash, Yana Bogash, Uliana Vogash

Assigned Attorneys: Karen Hobbs (BCP/MP)
Danielle Estrada
Connell McNulty

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 4 of the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with the use of deceptive marketing methods and sales tactics to trick consumers into paying Defendants for so-called registration services.

Status: Complaint filed 9/13/16.
Ex parte TRO entered 9/19/16.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 9/19/16.
Preliminary injunction entered 9/29/16.

FTC v. E.M. SYSTEMS & SERVICES, LLC, No. 8:15-cv-1417 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: E.M. Systems & Services, LLC
Administrative Management & Design, LLC
KLS Industries, LLC, d/b/a Satisfied Service Solutions, LLC
Empirical Data Group Technologies, LLC
Epiphany Management systems, LLC
Steven D. Short
Karissa L. Dyar
One Easy Solution LLC
Christopher Miles
Jason E. Gagnon
Kenneth A. Sallies
Matthew B. Thomas
Cardready, LLC
Brandon A. Becker

James F. Berland
Andrew S. Padnick

Assigned Attorneys: Nicholas May (SER)
Anna Burns

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with a debt relief scam.

Status: Complaint filed 6/16/15.
TRO entered 6/17/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 6/30/15.
Order referring case to mediation entered 8/19/15.
Amended complaint filed 12/21/15.
Motion for default judgment against Kenneth A. Sallies filed 9/14/16; motion granted 1/17/17.
Joint motions for settlement as to the E.M. Systems defendants, Andrew S. Padnick, CardReady LLC, Brandon A. Becker, and James F. Berland filed 9/14/16.
Joint motions for settlement as to One Easy Solution LLC, Christopher C. Miles, Jason E. Gagnon, and Matthew B. Thomas filed 11/21/16.
Stipulated settlement order as to One Easy Solution LLC, Christopher C. Miles, Jason E. Gagnon, Matthew B. Thomas, E.M. Systems, Andrew S. Padnick, CardReady LLC, Brandon A. Becker, and James F. Berland entered 1/17/17.

FTC v. EMERICA MEDIA CORPORATION, No. 16-35719 (9th Cir.); Nos. 9:15-cv-57; 9:13-cv-00003 (D. Mont.)

Parties: Emerica Media Corporation
Global Voice Mail, Ltd.
Network Assurance, Inc.
Techmax Solutions, Inc.
Voice Mail Professionals, Inc.
Steven V. Sann
Terry D. Lane, a/k/a Terry D. Sann
Nathan M. Sann
Robert M. Braach
Bibliologic, Ltd. (relief defendant)
American eVoice, Ltd.
FoneRight, Inc.
HearYou2, Inc.
SecuraDat, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Richard McKewen (NWR)
Michael Mora (BC/ENF)

Brad Grossman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 in connection with recurring charges on consumers' monthly telephone bills for telecommunications services that consumers neither requested nor authorized.

Status:
Complaint filed 1/8/13.
Stipulated preliminary injunctions as to all defendants entered 5/8/13.
Order staying the case until at least 7/8/13, pending developments in a parallel criminal investigation entered 5/9/13.
Order staying the case pending the resolution of a parallel criminal prosecution entered 9/24/13.
Stipulated permanent injunction order and monetary relief as to defendant Nathan M. Sann entered 11/25/14.
Notice of appeal by Steven Vincent Sann from bankruptcy court order converting case from chapter 11 to chapter 7 proceeding filed 5/13/15.
Appellants' brief filed 7/13/15; Commission's response brief filed 9/2/15; appellants' reply brief filed 10/13/15.
Steven Sann sentenced to 24 months in prison 7/17/2015.
Order granting the Commission's motion to modify the asset freeze and motion to lift the stay entered 8/20/15.
Stipulated permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to relief defendant Bibliologic entered 3/31/16.
Order approving and enforcing stipulated permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to relief defendant Bibliologic entered 8/9/16.
Notice of appeal by Steven Sann filed 9/6/16.
Motion for summary judgment as to defendants Steven Sann, Terry Lane, American eVoice, Emerica, FoneRight, Global Voice Mail, HearYou2, Network Assurance, SecuratDat, Techmax Solutions, and Voice Mail Professionals filed 11/18/16; motion granted 3/14/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendant Robert Braach entered 1/30/17.
Appellant's opening brief filed 3/16/17; Commission's answering brief due 5/17/17.

FTC v. ENDO PHARMACEUTICALS, No. 2:16-cv-01440 (E.D. Pa.)

Parties:
Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Endo International, PLC
Teikoku Pharma USA, Inc.
Teikoku Seiyaku Co., Ltd.
Watson Laboratories, Inc.

Allergan, PLC
Impax Laboratories, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Marcus H. Meier (BC)
Bradley S. Albert
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Synda Mark
Daniel S. Bradley
Jamie R. Towey

Alleged Conduct: Unfair acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and an acquisition in violation of Section 7 of the Clayton Act in connection with anticompetitive reverse-payment agreements.

Status: Complaint filed 3/30/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction entered 4/7/16.
Motion to dismiss filed 7/12/16; Commission's opposition filed 9/2/16; reply filed 9/30/16.
Order granting defendants' motion to sever claims entered 10/20/16.
Notice of Voluntary Dismissal by FTC as to Endo Pharmaceuticals Inc., Endo International plc, Watson Laboratories, Inc., Allergan PLC, and Impax Laboratories, Inc. filed 10/25/16.
Order closing case entered 11/8/16.

FTC v. EWING, No. 2:14-cv-0683 (D. Nev.)

Parties: Crystal Ewing
Classic Productions, LLC
Health Nutrition Products, LLC d/b/a W8-B-Gone, Quick & Easy
Howard Raff, a/k/a Howard Bruce
David Raff
Omni Processing Center
MBE Management, LLC
Shirley Murphy
Ronald Boyde
Global Access Management Systems, Inc.
Ricki Black

Assigned Attorneys: Alejandro Rosenberg (BCP/ENF)
Elsie B. Kappler
Korin Ewing Felix

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC act in connection with the advertising, marketing and sale of purported weight loss pills.

Status: Complaint filed 5/1/14.
Default judgment as to defendants Ricki Black and Global Access Management Systems, Inc. entered 6/23/14; defendants' motion to set aside entry of default judgment filed 6/26/14; Commission's stipulation of no opposition to Ricki Blacki only filed 7/8/14;
Stipulated summary judgment as to Ricki Black entered 7/22/15.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 7/1/15.
Default judgment as to Omni Processing Center and MBE Management, LLC entered 7/18/14.
Responses to Commission's motion for summary judgement filed 7/23/15; Commission's reply filed 8/10/15.
Stipulated consent judgments as to Crystal Ewing, Classic Productions LLC, and Ricki Black filed 11/2/15.
Stipulated final judgment and order for permanent injunction as to Crystal Ewing and Classic Productions entered 3/16/16.
Stipulated final judgment and order for permanent injunction as to Ricki Black entered 3/17/16.
Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment entered 3/30/16.

FTC v. FEDERAL CHECK PROCESSING, INC., Nos. 16-3805, 16-3811 (2nd Cir.); No. 1:14-cv-0122 (W.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Federal Check Processing, Inc.
Federal Recoveries, LLC
Federal Processing Services, Inc.
Federal Processing, Inc.
United Check Processing , Inc.
Central Check Processing, Inc.
Central Processing Services, Inc.
Nationwide Check Processing, Inc.
American Check Processing, Inc.
State Check Processing, Inc.
Check Processing, Inc.
US Check Processing, Inc.
Flowing Streams, F.S., Inc.
Mark Briandi
William Moses
Empowered Racing, LLC, Relief Defendant

Assigned Attorneys: Katherine M. Worthman (BCP/FP)
Colin A. Hector

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5 and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with debt collection operation.

Status: Complaint filed 2/24/14.
Ex parte TRO entered 3/24/14.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 3/25/14.
Motion for summary judgment by Commission filed 8/27/15; opposition by William Moses filed 11/4/15; opposition by Mark Briandi filed 12/3/15; Commission's reply filed 1/12/16.
Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment entered 8/12/16.
Judgment and permanent injunction entered 10/13/16.
Notices of appeal filed 11/8/16.
Appellants' opening brief due 5/24/17.

FTC v. GERBER PRODUCTS, CO., No. 2:14-cv-06771 (D. N.J.)

Parties: Gerber Products Co., d/b/a Nestle Nutrition, d/b/a Nestle Infant Nutrition, d/b/a Nestle Nutrition North America

Assigned Attorneys: Victor V. DeFrancis (BCP/AP)
Michelle K. Rusk
Ella Krainsky
Andrew David Wone

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act in connection with the marketing of an infant formula purporting to prevent allergies.

Status: Complaint filed 10/29/14.
Case stayed until 2/25/16.
Order extending stay of case entered 3/1/16.

FTC v. GLOBAL ACCESS TECHNICAL SUPPORT, No. 4:16-cv-1556 (E.D. Mo.)

Parties: Global Access Technical Support, LLC d/b/a Global S Connect, Yubdata Tech, Technolive
Global SMind, LLC d/b/a Global S Connect
Source Pundit, LLC d/b/a OneSource Tech Support
Helios Digital Media, LLC
VGlobal Ites Private Limited
Digicare Desk LLC
Rajiv Chhatwal
Rupinder Kaur
Neeraj Dubey
Harinder Singh

Assigned Attorneys: Elizabeth Scott (MWR)
Samantha Gordon

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with a telemarketing scheme that deceives consumers into purchasing unnecessary technical support or computer security services.

Status: Complaint filed 10/3/16.
Ex parte TRO entered 10/4/16.
Order extending ex parte TRO with asset freeze, appointment of a receiver and other equitable relief as to defendants Global SMind, Neeraj Dubey, and VGlobal Ites Private Limited entered 10/14/16.
Preliminary injunction as to defendants Neeraj Dubey, Global SMind, and VGlobal Ites Private Limited entered 10/28/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Rupinder Kaur, Rajiv Chhatwal, Global Access Technical Support, Source Pundit, and Helios Digital Media entered 11/15/16.
Amended complaint filed 12/20/16.

FTC v. HEALTH FORMULAS, LLC, No. 2:14-cv-01649 (D. Nev.)

Parties: Health Formulas, LLC, d/b/a Simple Pure Nutrition
Pure Vitamins, LLC
Longhorn Marketing, LLC, d/b/a Men's Health Formulas, LLC, Life Vitamins, and Unleash the Thunder
Method Direct, LLC, d/b/a Extamax, LLC, Vitaman Labs, Inc., Vitafit, and Playboy offer/DVD entertainment
Weight Loss Dojo, LLC, d/b/a Fitness Dvds
VIP Savings, LLC, d/b/a VIP Savings Center
DJD Distribution, LLC
MDCC, LLC, d/b/a Method Direct Call Center
Chapnick, Smuckler & Chapnick, Inc.
Brandon Chapnick
Keith Smuckler
Danelle Miller
Jason Miller
458 Media LLC
Alpha Brands, LLC
Blu Stella, LLC
Brilliant Skin LLC
Discount Provisions L.L.C.
Extamax, LLC
F12 Media LLC
Flex Formulas, LLC
GCB Marketing LLC
Luminous Skin LLC
Men's Health Formulas, LLC

Metabolic Labs, LLC
Miracle Male, LLC
Moringa Marketing LLC
Northbound Marketing LLC
Skinny 7 LLC
Wellness Labs, LLC
Yacon Marketing LLC
Barrel Roll, LLC
BSC Marketing, LLC
Cherry Hill Marketing, LLC
CSA Ventures, LLC
Diet Concepts, LLC
Health Products Direct LLC
KMS Marketing LLC
Natural Products Direct LLC
Northern Health Products LLC
Pure and Natural Health Products LLC
Pure and Simple Health Products LLC
Radiant Skin LLC
Shimmering Skin LLC
Tindy Films LLC
Wellness Products, LLC
Method Films, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Danielle Estrada (BCP/MP)
Melissa Dickey

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Sections 5 and 12 of the FTC Act, the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, the Restore Online Shoppers Confidence Act, Regulation E, and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with "free" trials and buy-one-get-one offers of health and cosmetic products.

Status: Complaint filed 10/7/14.
TRO and other equitable relief granted 10/9/14.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Chapnick, Smukler & Chapnick, Inc., Brandon Chapnick, and Keith Smukler entered 11/17/14.
Amended Complaint filed 2/5/15.
Preliminary injunction as to defendants Health Formulas, LLC; Pure Vitamins, LLC; Longhorn Marketing, LLC; Method Direct, LLC;Weight Loss Dojo, LLC; VIP Savings, LLC; DJD Distribution, LLC; MDCC, LLC; Jason Miller; and Danelle Miller, and extension of asset freeze as to remaining defendants entered 5/6/15.
Stipulated consent judgment filed 12/22/15.

Order granting stipulation for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Chapnick, Smukler & Chapnick, Inc., Brandon Chapnick, and Keith Smukler entered 2/17/16.
Order granting joint motion to stay as to Miller defendants pending completion of proposed settlement entered 3/10/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Miller defendants entered 7/12/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to all remaining defendants entered 2/27/17.

FTC v. IDEAL FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, No. 2:13-cv-00143 (D. Nev.)

Parties: Ideal Financial Solutions, Inc.
Ascot Crossing, LLC
Bracknell Shore, Ltd.
Chandon Group, Inc.
Avanix, LLC
Fiscal Fitness, LLC
Steven Sunyich
Michael Sunyich
Christopher Sunyich
Shawn Sunyich
Melissa Sunyich Gardner
Kent Brown
Shane Mosher
Jared Mosher
Thomas W. McNamara

Assigned Attorneys: Megan Bartley (BCP/ENF)
Richard Michael Waller

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 in connection with a scheme to debit and charge consumers without authorization.

Status: Complaint filed 1/28/13.
TRO entered 1/30/13.
Preliminary injunction entered 2/15/13.
FTC's amended complaint and motion for preliminary injunction and asset freeze against Jared Mosher filed 4/10/13.
Preliminary injunction and asset freeze against Jared Mosher entered 5/10/13.
Settlement agreement between the Commission and Shawn Sunyich filed 3/12/14.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 3/19/14.
Consent judgment and permanent injunction against defendants Kent Brown and Shawn Sunyich entered 6/5/14.

Default judgment entered against Ascot Crossing, LLC, Avanix, LLC, Bracknell Shore, Ltd., Chandon Group, Inc., Fiscal Fitness, LLC, and Ideal Financial Solutions entered 6/6/14.

Order granting summary judgement on liability but denying summary judgment on remedy as to defendants Steven Sunyich, Chris Sunyich, Michael Sunyich, Melissa Sunyich Gardner, and Jared Mosher entered 6/30/15.

Commission's motion for default judgment against corporate defendants filed 7/30/15; order granting motion for default judgment in part filed 2/23/15.

Commission's motion for summary judgment for monetary and injunctive relief against Steven Sunyich, Chris Sunyich, Jared Mosher, Michael Sunyich, and Melissa Sunyich Gardner filed 7/30/15; responses by Michael Sunyich, Melissa Sunyich Gardner, Steven Sunyich filed 8/20/15; response to motion for summary judgment by Christopher Sunyich filed 8/24/15; reply filed 9/3/15.

Clerk's judgment for equitable monetary relief against defendants Christopher Sunyich, Melissa Sunyich Gardner, Michael Sunyich, Steven Sunyich, Ascot Crossing, Avanix, Bracknell Shore, Chandon Group, Fiscal Fitness, and Ideal Financial Solutions entered 2/25/16.

Clerk's judgment for equitable monetary relief against defendant Jared Mosher entered 2/25/16.

Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment in part entered 2/23/16.

FTC v. INBOUND CALL EXPERTS, LLC, No. 9:14-cv-81395 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties:	Inbound Call Experts, LLC Advanced Tech Supportco, LLC PC Vitalware, LLC Super PC Support, LLC Robert D. Deignan Justin M. Wright PC Cleaner, Inc. Netcom3 Global, Inc. Netcom3, Inc. d/b/a Netcom3 Software, Inc. Cashier Myricks, Jr. a/k/a Cashier Myrick Paul M. Herdsman
Assigned Attorneys:	Colleen B. Robbins (BCP/MP) Emily C. Burton
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the marketing of computer security or technical support services.

Status: Complaint filed 11/10/14.
TRO entered 11/12/14.
Order granting preliminary injunction entered 12/23/14.
Amended complaint filed 1/20/15.
Joint motion to stay proceedings as to defendants PC Cleaner, Netcom3 Global, Netcom3, and Cashier Myricks for 30 days entered 3/1/16; order granting motion entered 3/2/16.
Joint motion to stay proceedings as to defendants PC Cleaner, Netcom3 Global, Netcom3, and Cashier Myricks until May 6, 2016 filed 3/31/16.
Order granting joint motion to stay proceedings as to defendants PC Cleaner, Inc., Netcom3 Global, Inc., Netcom 3, Inc., and Cashier Myricks until July 15, 2016 entered 5/6/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction as to defendant PC Cleaner entered 7/13/16.
Order granting motion to stay entered 9/19/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction as to defendant Inbound Call Experts entered 12/19/16.

FTC v. INNOVATIVE DESIGNS, INC., No. 2:16-cv-1669 (W.D. Pa.)

Parties: Innovative Designs, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Alejandro Rosenberg (BCP/ENF)
Omolara Bewaji Joseney

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the advertising of
Insultex House Wrap.

Status: Complaint filed 11/3/16.

FTC v. JEREMY JOHNSON, Nos. 11-17265, 11-17267, 12-15778, 12-16213, 13-15768, 13-15778, 13-15822 (9th Cir.); No. 2:10-CV-02203 (D. Nev.)

Parties:

Jeremy D. Johnson	Anthon Holdings Corp.
Big Bucks Pro, Inc.	Blue Net Progress, Inc.
Blue Streak Progressing, Inc.	Bolt Marketing, Inc.
Bottom Dollar, Inc.	Bumble Marketing, Inc.
Business First, Inc.	Business Loan Success, Inc.
CPA Upsell, Inc.	CS Processing, Inc.
Cloud Nine Marketing, Inc.	Cold Bay Media, Inc.
Costnet Discounts, Inc.	Cutting Edge Processing, Inc.
Diamond J Media, Inc.	EBusiness First, Inc.
Ebusiness Success, Inc.	Elite Debit, Inc.
Employee Plus, Inc.	Excess Net Success, Inc.

Duane Fielding	Fiscal Fidelity, Inc.
Fitness Processing, Inc.	Funding Search Success, Inc.
Funding Success, Inc.	GG Processing, Inc.
GGL Rewards, Inc.	Highlight Marketing, Inc.
Hooper Processing, Inc.	I Works, Inc.
Internet Business Source, Inc.	Internet Economy, Inc.
Internet Fitness, Inc.	JRB Media, Inc.
Jet Processing, Inc.	Andy Johnson
Loyd Johnston	Scott Leavitt
Lifestyles for Fitness, Inc.	Market Funding Solutions, Inc.
Mist Marketing, Inc.	Money Harvest, Inc.
Monroe Processing, Inc.	Scott Muir
Net Business Success, Inc.	Net Commerce, Inc.
Net Discounts, Inc.	Net Fit Trends, Inc.
Net Success, Inc.	Network Agenda, LLC
Optimum Assistance, Inc.	Bryce Payne
Kevin Pilon	Power Processing, Inc.
Premier Performance, Inc.	Pro Internet Services, Inc.
Razor Processing, Inc.	Rebate Deals, Inc.
Revive Marketing, Inc.	Ryan Riddle
Simcor Marketing, Inc.	Terrason Spinks
Success Marketing, Inc.	Summit Processing, Inc.
Tran Voyage, Inc.	TranFirst, Inc.
Unlimited Processing, Inc.	Xcel Processing, Inc.
eCom Success, Inc.	

Assigned Attorneys: Collot Guerard (BCP/MP)
Robert Anguizola
Burke Kappler (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5, the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and Regulation E in connection with the advertisement of government grants and money-making opportunities.

Status: Complaint filed 12/21/10.
TRO and asset freeze entered 1/13/11.
Preliminary injunction entered 2/10/11.
Notice of interlocutory appeal by defendant Jeremy Johnson (Appeal No. 11-17265) filed 9/22/11; dismissed 6/27/12.
Notice of interlocutory appeal by defendants Duane Fielding, Anthon Holdings Corp., and Network Agenda, LLC (Appeal No. 11-17265) filed 9/23/11; dismissed on appellant's motion 11/17/11.
Notice of appeal of order granting first omnibus motion for sale (Appeal No. 12-15778) filed 4/6/12; appellant's opening brief due but not filed 7/16/12; dismissed by 9th Cir. 11/5/12.

Notice of appeal of order granting receiver's motion for fees (Appeal No. 12-16213) filed 5/21/12; appellant's opening brief due but not filed 9/7/12.

Appeal dismissed for failure to prosecute 12/20/12.

Notices of appeal of order clarifying preliminary injunction (Nos. 13-15768 and 13-15778) filed 4/18/13 and 4/19/13; appeals consolidated and appellants' opening brief filed 5/17/13; Commission's responsive brief filed 6/28/13; reply brief filed 7/15/13.

Notice of appeal (No. 13-15822) filed 4/24/13; appellants' opening brief filed 6/26/13; Commission's answering brief filed 8/7/13.

Motion for summary judgment against all liability and relief defendants filed 11/26/13.

Motion for partial summary judgment by relief defendants filed 11/29/13.

Voluntary dismissal of appeal 13-15822 entered 1/21/14.

Oral argument in appeals 13-15768 and 13-15778 held 2/3/14.

Stipulated final order for permanent injunction against defendants Big Bucks Pro, Inc., Blue Net Progress, Inc., Bolt Marketing, Inc., Business Loan Success, Inc., CS Processing, Inc., GGL Rewards, Inc., Highlighting Marketing, Inc., Mist Marketing, Inc., Net Discounts, Inc., Optimum Assistance, Inc., Razor Processing, Inc., Simcor Marketing, Inc., and Scott Muir entered 4/7/14.

Decision by the Ninth Circuit affirming the district court's ruling that certain assets nominally owned by nonparties are subject to the preliminary injunction and asset freeze entered 4/8/14.

Order granting in part and denying in part Commission's motion for summary judgment entered 3/31/15.

Brief by the Commission regarding revised consumer injury amount filed 6/22/15; answering brief filed 7/22/15.

Order denying defendant Johnson's ex parte motion to set aside preliminary order entered 7/8/15.

Motion for relief from preliminary injunction filed by defendant Jeremy Johnson 8/4/15; response filed 8/21/15; response by receiver filed 9/4/15; reply to response filed 9/29/15.

Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment to defendant Lloyd Johnston entered 2/23/16.

Order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Ryan Riddle entered 7/22/16.

Stipulated final order for disgorgement as to Kerry Johnson, Barbara Johnson, KB Family Limited Partnership, and KV Electric Inc. entered 8/25/16.

Stipulated final order for disgorgement as to Sharla Johnson, Zippy LLC, Zippy Flight Service LLC, and Orange Cat Investments LLC entered 8/25/16.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Jeremy Johnson, Blue Streak Processing, Inc., Business First, Inc.,

Cloud Nine Marketing Inc., Cold Bay Media, Inc., CPA Upsell, Inc., Diamond J Media, Inc., Ebusiness First, Inc., Ebusiness Success, Inc., Ecom Success, Inc., Elite Debit, Inc., Funding Success, Inc., Hooper Processing, Inc., IWorks, Inc., Internet Economy, Inc., Net Commerce, Inc., Premier Performance, Inc., Pro Internet Services, Inc., Revive Marketing, Inc., Success Marketing, Inc., Summit Processing, Inc., Tranfirst, Inc., Tran Voyage, Inc., and Unlimited Processing entered 8/26/16.

Trial as to defendants Terrison Spinks and Jet Processing held 10/25/16-10/29/16.

FTC v. J. WILLIAM ENTERPRISES, LLC, No. 6:16-cv-2123 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: J. William Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Pro Timeshare Resales
Pro Timeshare Resales of Flagler Beach, LLC
Jess Kinmont
John Wenz, Jr.

Assigned Attorneys: Gideon Sinasohn (SER)
Harold Kirtz

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the marketing of timeshare resale or rental services.

Status: Complaint filed 12/12/16.
Ex parte TRO with injunction, asset freeze, appointment of receiver, and other equitable relief entered 12/13/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction with asset freeze, appointment of receiver, and other equitable relief entered 12/27/16.
Motion for default judgment against defendant Pro Timeshare Resales of Flagler Beach LLC filed 3/9/17.

FTC v. LANIER LAW, LLC, Nos. 16-16525, 16-16524, 15-11263 (11th Cir.); No. 3:14-cv-786 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Lanier Law, LLC d/b/a Redstone Law Group d/b/a The Law Offices of Michael W. Lanier
Fortress Law Group, LLC
Redstone Law Group
Surety Law Group, LLC
Fortress Law Group, PC
Liberty & Trust Law Group of Florida, LLC
Michael W. Lanier
Rogelio Robles a/k/a Roger Robles
Edward William Rennick, III

Assigned Attorneys: Harold E. Kirtz (SER)
Gideon Sinasohn
Anna Burns

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Mortgage Assistance Relief Services Rule in connection with the marketing and sale of mortgage assistance relief services.

Status:
Complaint filed 7/8/14.
Ex parte TRO entered 7/11/14.
Preliminary injunction with asset freeze entered as to all defendants 8/1/14.
Motion to dismiss complaint entered 8/26/14; opposition to motion filed 9/4/14.
Amended complaint filed 12/22/14.
Motion to dismiss amended complaint filed 1/13/15; Commission's opposition filed 1/30/15.
Order granting preliminary injunction, as to defendants Fortress Law Group, Redstone Law Group, Rogelio Robles, and Edward William Rennick, III entered 2/6/15.
Notices of appeal of Rogelio Robles and Edward Rennick filed 3/20/15 and 3/23/15.
Order dismissing appeal as to defendant Rogelio Robles entered 6/2/15.
Order denying motion to dismiss entered 7/28/15.
Counterclaim by Liberty & Trust Law Group of Florida, LLC, Lanier Law, LLC, and Michael W. Lanier filed 8/19/15.; Commission's opposition filed 10/29/15.
Motion to vacate TRO filed by defendant Michael W. Lanier 8/25/15; Commission's opposition filed 9/10/15.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 12/29/15; defendant Lanier's opposition filed 1/20/16; Lanier's supplemental opposition filed 3/10/16; Commission's reply filed 3/29/16.
Motion for partial summary judgment by defendant Lanier and three related corporate defendants filed 12/30/15; Commission's opposition filed 1/27/16; reply by defendant Lanier and three related corporate defendants filed 2/2/16.
Final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Lanier Law, LLc, Fortress Law Group, LLC, Liberty & Trust Law Group, Fortress Law Group, PC, Michael Lanier, and Rogelio Robles entered 8/12/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Surety Law Group LLP, Redstone Law Group, LLC, and Edward William Rennick III entered 8/12/16.
Notice of appeal by Lanier Defendants filed 10/10/16.
Amended notice of appeal by Michael W. Lanier filed 11/29/16.

Appellant's opening brief filed 1/18/17.
11th Circuit order directing parties to address whether it has appellate jurisdiction in light of Lanier's untimely notice of appeal on his own behalf filed 1/18/17; Commission's response urging court to dismiss case for lack of jurisdiction filed 2/1/17.

FTC v. LAPTOP & DESKTOP REPAIR, LLC, No. 1:16-cv-3591 (N.D. Ga.)

Parties: Laptop & Desktop Repair, LLC d/b/a cashforiphones.com, cashforlaptops.com, ecyclebest.com, smartphonetraders.com, sell-your-cell.com
Vadim Olegovich Kruchinin a/k/a Vadim Kruchin, David Kruchin, David Vadim Kruchin, David Kruch
State of Georgia (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Anna Mirshak Burns (SER)
Hans Christian Clausen

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Georgia's Fair Business Practices Act in connection with the operation of numerous websites promising to pay consumers "top dollar" for used electronic devices.

Status: Complaint filed 9/26/16.
TRO with asset freeze and other equitable relief entered 9/26/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 10/5/16.
Motion for order to show cause why defendants should not be held in contempt for violating the TRO and preliminary injunction filed 10/26/16.
Clerk's entry of default as to Vadim Olegovich Kruchinin and Laptop & Desktop Repair, LLC entered 11/15/16.
Order of contempt against defendants entered 11/17/16.
Notice by FTC of defendants' failure to comply with contempt order filed 11/30/16.
Motion by FTC for order of incarceration of Vadim Olegovich Kruchinin, to coerce compliance filed 12/7/16; granted 12/8/16; arrest warrant issued 12/9/16.

FTC v. LEANSPA, LLC, Nos. 15-1009, 15-1014, 13-653 (2d Cir.); No. 3:11-CV-01715 (D. Conn.)

Parties: LeanSpa, LLC
NutraSlim, LLC
NutraSlim U.K. LTD
Boris Mizhen
Leadclick Media, Inc.
Richard Chiang

Angelina Strano, Relief Defendant
CoreLogic, Inc., Relief Defendant

Assigned Attorneys: Darren Lubetzky (NER)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 and the electronic Fund Transfer Act in connection with the marketing of weight-loss and related health products through various websites.

Status:
Complaint filed 11/07/11.
TRO granted in part 11/14/11.
Preliminary injunction entered 11/22/11.
Amended complaint filed 7/26/12.
Motion for preliminary injunction against defendant Richard Chiang and relief defendant Angelina Strano filed 9/11/12; opposition by Angelina Strano filed 11/15/12; Commission's reply filed 1/29/12.
Motion for stipulated preliminary injunction against Richard Chiang filed 11/15/12.
Preliminary injunction against Richard Chiang entered 1/17/13.
Preliminary injunction against relief defendant Angelina Strano entered 1/29/13.
Second amended complaint filed 2/19/13.
Notice of appeal by relief defendant Angelina Strano filed 2/21/13.
Appellant Strano's opening brief filed 4/22/13; Commission's brief filed 5/28/13; appellant Strano's reply brief filed 6/11/13.
Oral argument heard 6/18/13.
Summary order and judgment by court of appeals affirming preliminary injunction order against Angelina Strano issued 6/20/13.
Commission's motion for leave to amend complaint to add CoreLogic, Inc. as relief defendant filed 6/10/13; defendant Leadclick Media's response filed 7/1/13; Commission's reply filed 7/15/13; order granting motion to amend complaint entered 8/28/13.
Joint motion for entry of stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants LeanSpa, LLC, NutraSlim, LLC, NutraSlim U.K., Ltd. (also d/b/a LeanSpa U.K., Ltd.) and Boris Mizhen and relief defendant Angelina Strano filed 12/23/13.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants LeanSpa, LLC, NutraSlim, LLC, NutraSlim, U.K., Ltd, and Boris Mizhen, and relief defendant Angelina Strano entered 1/7/14.
Commission's motion for summary judgment against LeadClick and relief defendant CoreLogic filed 5/5/14; LeadClick's motion for summary judgment filed 5/5/14; CoreLogic's motion for summary judgment filed 5/5/14; Commission's opposition to defendants'

motions filed 5/27/14; defendants' oppositions to Commission's motion filed 6/10/14.
Judgment entered in favor of the Commission and State of Connecticut granting summary judgment against CoreLogic Inc. and LeadClick Media Inc. entered 3/6/15.
Appeal of summary judgment and order of disgorgement by defendants Leadclick Media, Inc. and CoreLogic, Inc. filed 4/2/15.
Notices of appeal filed 4/2/15.
Appellants' opening briefs filed 7/20/15; Commission's answering brief filed 10/19/15; appellants' reply briefs filed 11/30/15.
Oral argument heard 6/3/16.
Opinion affirming the district court's grant of summary judgment with regard to defendant LeadClick and reversing with regard to relief defendant CoreLogic entered 9/23/16.
Amended final judgment entered 12/2/16.

FTC v. LIBERTY SUPPLY, No. 4:15-cv-829 (E.D. Tex.)

Parties: Liberty Supply Co. d/b/a Omni Services
Mia McCrary
John Hart
Nor-Jay Enterprises, Inc.
Texas 110, Inc.
Norma J. Hart

Assigned Attorneys: Eric Roberson (SWR)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the FTC's Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Unordered Merchandise Statute.

Status: Complaint filed 12/04/15.
TRO entered 12/04/15.
Preliminary injunction entered 12/30/15.
Amended complaint filed 2/23/16.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 9/23/16.
Motion to stay court deadlines filed 10/7/16; order granting stay entered 10/13/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 3/23/17.

FTC v. LIFE MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF ORANGE COUNTY, INC., No. 6:16-cv-00982 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Life Management Services of Orange County, Inc.
Loyal Financial and Credit Services LLC d/b/a FOC Credit and Reward

Services
IVD Recovery LLC
KWP Services LLC
KWP Services of Florida LLC
LPSOFFLA LLC
LPSOFFLORIDA LLC
PW&F Consultants of Florida LLC
UAD Secure Services LLC
UAD Secure Service of Florida LLC
URB Management LLC
YCC Solutions LLC
YFP Solutions LLC
Kevin Guice
Chase Jackowski
Linda McNealy
Clarence Wahl a/k/a Harry Wahl
Karen Wahl
Robert Guice
Timothy Woods
State of Florida (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Tejasvi Srimushnam (BCP/MP)
Joshua Doan

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act in connection with the sale of debt relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 6/7/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 6/30/16.

FTC v. LIFEWATCH, No. 16-2310 (7th Cir.); No. 1:15-cv-05781 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Lifewatch Inc. d/b/a Lifewatch USA and Medical Alarm Systems
Evan Sirlin
Safe Home Security, Inc.
Medguard Alert, Inc.
Michael May
David Roman

Assigned Attorneys: David O'Toole (MWR)
Marissa Reich
Roberto Menjivar

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Act, and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in

connection with robocalls that pitched seniors "free" medical alert systems.

Status: Complaint filed 6/30/15.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 7/6/15.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 12/14/15.
Preliminary injunction entered 3/31/16.
Notice of appeal filed 5/31/16.
Amended complaint filed 7/14/16.

FTC v. MAIL TREE, No. 0:15-cv-61034 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Awards Research Consultant, LLC
John Leon
MCP Marketing Activities, LLC d/b/a Magellan Mail and Magellan Marketing
Mail Tree Inc.
Mailpro Americas Corp.
Masterpiece Marketing, LLC d/b/a Affiliated Opportunities Group d/b/a Corporate Accounting Authority d/b/a Dispatch Notifications Services d/b/a Information Reporting Group d/b/a Priority Information Exchange
Michael McKay Co.
Matthew Pisoni
Serena Pisoni
Marcus Pradel
Victor Ramirez
Romeria Global, LLC d/b/a Lowenstein Varick and Nagel
Spin Mail, Inc.
Supreme Media, LLC
Trans National Concepts, Inc.
Vernier Holdings, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Guy Ward (MWR)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with sweepstakes scam.

Status: Complaint filed 5/18/15.
Ex parte TRO entered 5/19/15.
Preliminary injunction against all defendants except Marcus Pradel and Trans National Concepts entered 6/12/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Marcus Pradel and Trans National Concepts entered 6/12/15.
Order staying case entered 6/12/15.

FTC v. MALLINCKRODT ARD, INC., No. 1:17-cv-00120 (D.D.C.)

Parties:	Mallinckrodt Ard, Inc. f/k/a Questcor Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Mallinckrodt, PLC States of Alaska, Maryland, New York, Texas, and Washington (Plaintiffs)
Assigned Attorneys:	Dylan Brown (BC/Mergers I) Peter Colwell Stephen Rodger David Gonen
Alleged Conduct:	Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, Section 2 of the Sherman Act, and various state law violations in connection with Defendant's acquisition of Acthar Gel from Aventis Pharmaceuticals.
Status:	Complaint filed 1/18/17. Stipulated order for permanent injunction and equitable monetary relief entered 1/31/17.

FTC v. MDK MEDIA, INC., No. 2:14-cv-5099 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties:	MDK Media Inc. d/b/a SE Ventures d/b/a GMK Communications d/b/a EMG Makonnen Demessow Kebede Tendenci Media LLC Sarah Brekke Mindkontrol Industries LLC Christopher Thomas Denovellis Anacapa Media LLC Wayne Calvin Byrd Bear Communications LLC James Matthew Dawson Network One Commerce Inc. Casey Lee Adkisson Erdi Development LLC Erdolo Levy Eromo Ocean Tactics LLC Fraser R. Thompson Phwoar LLC Darcy Michael Wedd Concise Consulting, Inc. MMJX Consulting, Inc. Michael Peter Pajaczkowski

Assigned Attorneys: Faye C. Barnouw (WRLA)
Maricela Segura
Barbara Y K Chun
Kenneth H. Abbe

Alleged Conduct: Unfair and deceptive practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with placing unauthorized third-party charges on consumers' mobile phone bills, or "cramming."

Status: Complaint filed 7/3/14.
TRO entered 7/3/14.
First amended complaint filed 10/6/14.
Motion to dismiss and motion to strike portions of complaint filed 11/7/14; opposition filed 11/17/14; reply filed 11/24/14; motion denied 12/4/14.
Final orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against defendants MDK Media Inc., Makonnen Demessow Kebede, Tendenci Media LLC, Sarah Brekke, Mindkontrol Industries LLC, Christopher Thomas Denovellis, Anacapa Media LLC, Wayne Calvin Byrd II, Bear Communications LLC, James Matthew Dawson, Network One Commerce Inc., and Casey Lee Adkisson entered 5/6/15.
Order granting U.S. Attorney's application to intervene and staying case for 90 days entered 7/23/15.
Order staying case entered 10/20/15.

FTC v. MYTEL INTERNATIONAL, INC., No. 2:87-cv-07259 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Mytel International, Inc.
Gilbert N. Michaels
Gerald Feldman

Assigned Attorneys: Reenah L. Kim (BCP/ENF)
Elsie B. Kappler
John D. Jacobs (WRLA)
Mark S. Hegedus (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Violation of 1988 permanent injunction order regarding deceptive acts and Practices in connection with the sale of photocopier toner.

Status: Complaint filed 10/29/87.
Final judgment entered 11/16/88.
Commission's motion for contempt filed 4/17/14.
Defendants motion to stay filed 6/16/14.
Order granting stay entered 11/6/14.
Order lifting stay entered 4/15/15.

Order granting stay entered 8/5/16.

FTC v. NATIONAL UROLOGICAL GROUP, INC., No. 10-125 (S. Ct); Nos. 14-13131, 14-13972, 09-10617 (11th Cir.); No. 1:04-CV-03294 (N.D. Ga.)

Parties: National Urological Group, Inc., d/b/a Warner Laboratories
National Institute for Clinical Weight Loss, Inc.
Hi-Tech Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Jared Wheat
Thomasz Holda
Michael Howell
Stephen Smith
Terrill Mark Wright, M.D.

Assigned Attorneys: Sydney M. Knight (BCP/AP)
Tawana E. Davis
Edward Glennon
Mary Johnson
Leslie Melman (OGC)
Amanda Basta (BCP/ENF)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive practices in violation of Sections 5 and 12 in connection with the sale of a purported weight loss product.

Status: Complaint filed 11/10/04.
Final judgment entered 12/16/08.
Notice of appeal filed 2/4/09.
Opinion affirming district court order entered 12/15/09.
Petition for rehearing en banc filed 1/29/10; order denying petition entered 4/26/10.
Appellant's petition for a writ of certiorari filed 7/23/10; Commission's opposition filed 9/24/10; appellant's petition denied 11/1/10.
Commission's motion to hold defendants Hi-Tech Pharmaceuticals, Stephen Smith and Jared Wright in contempt filed 11/1/11; defendant's opposition filed 12/2/11.
Commission's motion to hold defendant Terrill Mark Wright in contempt filed 3/21/12.
Order to show cause why defendants Wright, Hi-Tech Pharmaceuticals, Stephen Smith, and Jared Wright should not be held in contempt entered 5/11/12; response filed 11/13/12.
Motion for contempt judgment filed 10/22/12; defendants' response filed 2/14/12; Commission's reply brief filed 1/10/13.
Order finding defendants liable for contempt and ordering further proceedings on remedy entered 8/8/13.
Trial on contempt remedies held on 1/21/14 - 1/24/14.
Order holding defendants liable for contempt and directing compensatory sanctions to redress consumers entered 5/14/14.

Defendants' notices of appeal filed 7/11/14 and 7/14/14.
Order by district court imposing coercive contempt sanction and directing that defendants Jared Wheat and Stephen Smith be incarcerated until they comply with product recall entered 9/2/14.
Petition for mandamus by defendants Wheat and Smith seeking to overturn coercive contempt order filed 9/4/14; denied 9/4/14.
Notice of appeal from coercive contempt order and emergency motion for a stay by defendants Wheat and Smith filed 9/4/14; Commission's opposition filed 9/5/14; motion for stay denied 9/5/14; motion to voluntarily dismiss appeal filed 9/8/14; appeal no. 14-13972 dismissed 10/15/14.
Motion to purge contempt defendants of contempt filed 9/26/14; Commission's opposition filed 9/26/14.
Second motion to purge contempt defendants or release contempt defendants pending determination of less restrictive mean to purge contempt filed 10/16/14; Commission's response filed 1/13/15; granted 1/20/15.
Motion to stay execution of judgment pending appeal entered 10/30/14; denied 1/23/15.
Appellants' briefs (No. 14-13131) filed 10/30/14.
Order that the US Marshal's Service release Jared Wheat and Stephen Smith from incarceration entered 11/10/14.
Commission's answering brief (No. 14-13131) filed 1/9/15; appellants' reply briefs filed 2/17/15.
Oral argument in Eleventh Circuit held 4/17/15.
Opinion vacating district court's judgment of contempt and remanding case to district court for further proceedings entered 5/5/15.
Commission's motion for clarification filed 6/4/15; Hi-Tech Pharmaceuticals response filed 6/18/15.
Commission's motion for entry of contempt judgement relating to Hi-Tech Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Jared Wheat, and Stephen Smith's violation of section VI and motion for compensatory sanctions filed 8/20/15; opposition filed 10/9/15; Commission's reply filed 10/26/15; order denying motion with leave to refile entered 11/4/15.
Contempt hearing begun 3/27/17.

FTC v. NEOVI, INC., Nos. 15-56730, 12-56658, 12-56735, 09-55093 (9th Cir.); No. 3:06-cv-01952 (S.D. Cal.)

Parties:
Neovi, Inc., d/b/a Neovi Data Corporation and Qchex.com
G7 Productivity Systems, Inc., d/b/a Qchex.com
James M. Danforth
Thomas Villwock
iProlog Corporation
FreeQuick Wire Corporation

Assigned Attorneys: Korin Ewing Felix (BCP/ENF)
John D. Jacobs (WRLA)
Leslie Melman (OGC)
Jack Metzler

Alleged Conduct: Unfair practices in violation of Section 5 in connection with the offering and sale of online check services.

Status:
Complaint filed 9/19/06.
Final order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief entered 1/7/09.
Notice of appeal by defendants filed 1/16/09.
Motion for order to show cause why Thomas Villwock, James M. Danforth, G7 Productivity Systems, Inc., iProlog Corporation, and FreeQuick Wire Corporation should not be held in contempt filed 10/15/09.
Order requiring Commission to show cause why contempt motion should not be dismissed entered 10/16/09; Commission's response filed 10/21/09.
Order by district court staying contempt proceedings pending appeal entered 1/19/10.
Opinion affirming district court order entered 5/14/10; amended 6/15/10.
Contempt proceedings reopened 5/14/10.
Final order finding defendants Neovi, Productivity Systems, Thomas Villwock, and James M. Danforth in contempt entered 7/11/12.
Notice of appeal by defendants filed 9/7/12; Commission's cross appeal filed 9/21/12.
Order by the Ninth Circuit requiring defendants to show cause why appellate jurisdiction exists entered 9/24/12.
Commission's memorandum on jurisdiction filed 10/24/13.
Order dismissing appeal for lack of appellate jurisdiction entered 1/22/13.
Contempt hearing in district court held 8/12/13.
Order finding that defendants failed to purge their noncompliance with court's 1/7/09 final order, and granting them 30 days to comply entered 1/10/14.
Commission's motion to modify final order filed 2/10/14; defendant's opposition filed 3/6/14; Commission's reply filed 3/13/14.
Order denying Commission's motion to modify entered 8/25/14.
Commission's renewed motion to modify final order filed 12/1/14.
Final order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief as to defendant James Danforth entered 9/1/15.
Order granting in part and denying in part Commission's motion to modify final order entered 9/9/15.
Order finding that defendant have failed to purge their non-compliance and imposing sanctions entered 9/9/15.

Notice of appeal by Thomas Villwock filed 11/6/15.
Appellant's opening brief filed 11/1/16; Commission's answering brief filed 1/19/17; appellant's reply brief filed 3/2/17.

FTC v. NETSPEND CORPORATION, No. 1:16-cv-4203 (N.D. Ga.)

Parties:	Netspend Corporation
Assigned Attorneys:	Mark Glassman (BCP/FP) Adam Wesolowski Robin Rock (SER)
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with denying consumers' access to their funds deposited onto Defendant's prepaid debit cards.
Status:	Complaint filed 11/10/16. Proposed stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment filed 3/31/17.

FTC v. OMICS GROUP, INC., No. 2:16-cv-2022 (D. Nev.)

Parties:	OMICS Group, Inc. d/b/a OMICS Publishing Group iMedPub, LLC Conference Series, LLC Srinubabu Gedela
Assigned Attorneys:	Iona Rusu (BCP/FP) Gregory Ashe
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with the publishing of online publications styled as academic journals.
Status:	Complaint filed 8/25/16. Commission's motion for preliminary injunction filed 9/8/16. Defendants' motion to dismiss or, in alternative, summary judgment, filed 1/6/17; Commission's opposition filed 1/19/17; reply filed 2/2/17.

FTC v. PARTNERS IN HEALTH CARE ASSOCIATION, INC., No. 1:14-cv-23109 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties:	Partners In Health Care Association, Inc. Gary L. Kieper United Solutions Group, Inc. d/b/a Debt Relief Experts, Inc. Walter S. Vargas

Constanza Gomez Vargas

Assigned Attorneys: Gary L. Ivens (BCP/MP)
Christopher E. Brown

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule regarding the deceptive marketing of medical discount cards.

Status: Complaint filed 8/25/14.
TRO entered 8/25/14.
Preliminary injunction against Partners in Health Care Association and Gary L. Kieper entered 9/8/14.
Corrected preliminary injunction against Partners in Health Care Association and Gary L. Kieper entered 9/11/14.
Stipulated preliminary injunction against defendants United Solutions Group, Inc., Walter S. Vargas, and Constanza Gomez Vargas entered 9/11/14.
Motion for contempt as to Grumer & Macaluso, P.A. and Gary Kieper entered 10/23/14; motion denied 2/5/15.
Order staying the case entered 5/4/15.
Stipulated permanent injunction against United Solutions Group, Inc. entered 7/1/15.
Motion for entry of default as to Partners In Health Care Association, Inc. filed 8/14/15; non-entry of default as to Partners In Health Care Association, Inc. due to responsive pleading entered 8/17/15.
Motion for summary judgment by Commission filed 10/30/15; defendant Gary L. Kieper's opposition entered 2/8/15; Commission's reply entered 2/16/16; order granting motion entered 5/31/16.
Motion for default judgment against Partners in Health Care Association filed 10/30/15.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants United Solutions Group, Walter Vargas, and Constance Gomez Vargas entered 11/9/15.
Final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Partners In Health Care Association, Inc., and Gary L. Kieper entered 6/27/16.
Notice of appeal by Gary Kieper filed 8/29/16.
Appellant's opening brief due 4/25/17.

FTC v. PHLG ENTERPRISES, LLC, No. 8:17-cv-00220 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: PHLG Enterprises, LLC
Joel Treuhaft

Assigned Attorneys: Rhonda Perkins (BCP/MP)
Jody Goodman

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with Defendants' assistance to call centers in India that induced US consumers to pay for phony goods and services via cash money transfers.

Status: Complaint filed 1/27/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to all defendants entered 2/9/17.

FTC v. PRIMARY GROUP , INC., No. 15-1820 (Fed. Cir); Nos. 15-13947, 16-13532 (11th Cir.); No. 1:15-cv-01645 (N.D. Ga.)

Parties: Gail Daniels
June Fleming
The Primary Group Inc., f/k/a A Primary Systems Group Inc., d/b/a Primary Solutions and PSA Investigations

Assigned Attorneys: Michelle Grajales (BCP/FP)
Colin Hector
Robin Rock (SER)
Theodore Paul Metzler (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair debt collection practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act.

Status: Complaint filed 5/11/15.
TRO entered 5/11/15.
Preliminary injunction entered 6/8/15.
Notice of appeal to Federal Circuit by Gail Daniels and June Fleming filed 7/8/15.
Order of the 11th Circuit denying petition for writ of mandamus entered 7/27/15.
Commission's motion to dismiss counterclaim filed 8/6/15.
Default entered as to The Primary Group, Inc. 8/7/15.
Appeal transferred to the 11th Circuit 9/2/15; appeal dismissed for lack of prosecution on 10/9/15.
Individual defendants' motion to dismiss complaint filed 9/30/15; Commission's opposition filed 10/12/15; reply filed 10/14/15; supplemental response by Commission filed 10/28/15.
Order granting Commission's motion to dismiss counterclaim and denying individual defendants' motion to dismiss complaint entered 11/3/15.
Motion for summary judgment by Commission filed 11/24/15.
Commission's motion to dismiss June Fleming voluntarily filed 3/11/16; order granting motion to dismiss terminating June Fleming entered 3/11/16.

Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment as to defendants The Primary Group and Gail Daniels, and permanent injunction and equitable relief entered 5/19/16.
Notice of appeal by Daniels filed 6/14/16.
Appeal dismissed for want of prosecution on 10/7/16; motion to reinstate appeal denied 11/1/16; second motion to reinstate appeal filed 12/5/16; motion to reinstate appeal granted 1/13/17;
Appellant's opening brief filed 1/12/17; Commission's answering brief filed 3/15/17.

FTC v. PUBLISHERS BUSINESS SERVICES, Nos. 17-15600; 11-17270 (9th Cir.); No. 2:08-cv-00620 (D. Nev.)

Parties: Publishers Business Services, Inc.
Ed Dantuma Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Publishers Direct Services d/b/a Publishers Business Services
Persis Dantuma
Brenda Dantuma Schang
Dries Dantuma
Dirk Dantuma
Jeffrey Dantuma

Assigned Attorneys: Faye Chen Barnouw (WRLA)
Maricela Segura
Raymond E. McKown
Jacob A. Snow (WRSF)
Karen Goff
Whitney Merrill

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of section 5(a) and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the marketing and sale of magazine subscriptions.

Status: Complaint filed 5/14/08.
Amended complaint filed 2/5/09.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 7/31/09; opposition filed 11/23/09; reply filed 12/7/09.
Order granting the Commission's motion for summary judgment entered 4/7/10.
Order for permanent injunction as to all defendants entered 4/7/10.
Commission's opening brief on the issue of damages filed 4/20/10.
Final judgment as to all defendants entered 7/25/11.
Commission's opening brief filed 2/13/12; defendants' answering brief filed 4/13/12; reply brief filed 5/11/12.
Memorandum disposition remanding case to district court entered 9/19/13.

Petition for writ of certiorari filed 2/27/14.
Petition for writ of certiorari denied 6/9/14.
Commission's motion for monetary judgment filed 5/31/16; defendants' brief on damages filed 7/19/16; Commission's reply filed 8/9/16.
Order granting Commission's motion for judgment entered 3/2/17.
Notice of appeal filed 3/31/17.

FTC v. QUALCOMM, INC., No. 5:17-cv-00220 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties:	Qualcomm, Inc.
Assigned Attorneys:	J. Alexander Ansaldo (BC/ACP) Dana Abrahamsen Joseph Baker Wesley Carson Kente Cox Rajesh James Philip Kehl Lin Kahn (WRSF)
Alleged Conduct:	Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with defendant's maintenance of a monopoly in baseband processors and semiconductor devices.
Status:	Complaint filed 1/17/17.

FTC v. QUINCY BIOSCIENCE HOLDING COMPANY, INC., No. 1:17-cv-00124 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties:	Quincy Bioscience Holding Company, Inc. Quincy Bioscience, LLC Prevagen, Inc. d/b/a Sugar River Supplements Quincy Bioscience Manufacturing, LLC Mark Underwood Michael Beaman State of New York (Plaintiff)
Assigned Attorneys:	Robin Eichen (NER) Michelle Rusk (BCP/AP) Annette Soberatas
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act, the New York Executive Law, and the New York General Business Law, in connection with the marketing of defendants' purported memory improvement supplement, Prevagen.
Status:	Complaint filed 1/9/17.

FTC v. ROCA LABS, INC., No. 8:15-cv-02231 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties:	Roca Labs, Inc. Roca Labs Nutraceutical USA, Inc. Don Juravin George C. Whiting
Assigned Attorneys:	Carl H. Settlemyer (BCP/AP) Paul Bryan Spelman
Alleged Conduct:	Violations of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act in connection with the deceptive marketing of weight loss products.
Status:	Complaint filed 9/24/15. Stipulated TRO entered 9/29/15. Preliminary injunction entered 10/29/15. Order granting joint motion to stay case for 120 days entered 4/20/16. Stipulated TRO entered 8/22/16. Stipulated preliminary injunction with asset freeze and other equitable relief entered 9/13/16. Commission's motion for summary judgment as to all defendants filed 3/24/17. Defendants' motion for partial summary judgment filed 3/24/17.

FTC v. RUBY CORPORATION, No. 1:16-cv-2438 (D.D.C.)

Parties:	Ruby Corporation Ruby Life, Inc. d/b/a ashleymadison.com ADL Media, Inc.
Assigned Attorneys:	Shameka Walker (BCP/DPIP) Andrea Arias
Alleged Conduct:	Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the marketing and sale of online dating services.
Status:	Complaint filed 12/14/16. Stipulated order for permanent injunction and other equitable relief entered 12/19/16.

FTC v. SHIRE VIROPHARMA, INC., No. 1:17-cv-00131 (D. Del.)

Parties:	Shire ViroPharma, Inc.
Assigned Attorneys:	Bradley Albert (BC/HC)

June Im
Meredyth Andrus
Josepth Matthias
Steve Vieux
James Weingarten

Alleged Conduct: Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with Defendant's serial, sham petitioning to the FDA to delay generic competition to its branded prescription drug, Vancocin HCI Capsules.

Status: Complaint filed 2/7/17.

FTC v. SOMENZI, No. 2:16-cv-7101 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Terry Somenzi d/b/a Paulson Independent Distributors, International Procurement Center, Phelps Ingram Distributors, Keller Sloan & Associates
Millenium Direct, Inc.
David Raff
Ian Gamberg

Assigned Attorneys: Charles Harwood (NWR)
Nadine Samter
Sarah Shifley
Thomas Syta (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with the mailing of personalized cash prize notifications.

Status: Complaint filed 9/21/16.
Order dismissing Terry Somenzi, deceased, entered 11/04/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendant Ian Gamberg entered 2/13/17.

FTC v. SQ CAPITAL, LLC, No. 2:16-cv-2816 (D. Kan.)

Parties: Joel Jerome Tucker
SQ Capital, LLC
JT Holdings, Inc.
HPD, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Michael Tankersley (BCP/FP)
Katharine Roller

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in

connection with Defendants' marketing, distribution, and sale of counterfeit payday loans.

Status: Complaint filed 12/16/16.
TRO entered 12/22/16.
Preliminary injunction entered 1/6/17.
Clerk's entry of default as to all defendants entered 3/31/17.

FTC v. STARK LAW, LLC, No. 1:16-cv-3463 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Stark Law, LLC d/b/a Stark Recovery
Stark Legal, LLC
Ashton Asset Management, Inc.
CHM Capital Group, LLC
HKM Funding, LTD
Pacific Capital Holdings, Inc. f/k/a Charles Hunter Miller & Associates d/b/a Pacific Capital
Hirsh Mohindra d/b/a Ashton Lending, LLC
Gaurav Mohindra
Preetesh Patel

Assigned Attorneys: William J. Hodor (MWR)
John C. Hallerud

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the FDCPA in connection with abusive and deceptive debt collection practices.

Status: Complaint filed 3/21/16.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze and other equitable relief entered 3/22/16.
Preliminary injunction with asset freeze and other equitable relief entered 7/11/16.
Motion for contempt judgment against defendant Mohindra filed 1/9/17; defendant's opposition filed 1/27/17; Commission's reply filed 2/3/17.
Order resolving motion for contempt by agreement of the parties entered 3/23/17.

FTC v. STRATFORD CAREER INSTITUTE, INC., No. 1:16-cv-00371 (N.D. Ohio)

Parties: Stratford Career Institute, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Maria Del Monaco (ECR)
Amy Hocevar

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in

connection with the marketing of defendant's high school diploma program.

Status: Complaint filed 2/18/16.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and partial suspension of monetary judgment entered 1/31/17.

FTC v. STUDENT AID CENTER, INC., No. 1:16-cv-21843 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Student Aid Center, Inc.
Ramiro Fernandez-Moris a/k/a Ramiro Moris
Damien Alvarez
State of Florida (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Reid Tepfer (SWR)
Anne LeJeune
Aaron Haberman

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act in connection with the marketing and sale of debt relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 5/23/16.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 8/19/16; Commission's opposition brief filed 9/6/16.
Magistrate's report and recommendation that defendants' motion to dismiss complaint be denied entered 12/14/16.
Order adopting Magistrate's report and recommendation denying defendants' motion to dismiss entered 12/30/16.

FTC v. TACHHT, INC., No. 8:16-cv-01397 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Tachht, Inc.
Teqqi LLC
Colby Fox
Christopher Reinhold

Assigned Attorneys: Matthew Wernz (MWR)
Guy Ward
Samuel Levine

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act and the CAN-SPAM Act in connection with the marketing of weight-loss products to consumers.

Status: Complaint filed 6/2/16.
Order granting stay pending Commission review of proposed settlement entered 12/27/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Tachht, Teqqi, and Colby Fox entered 3/3/17.

FTC v. TELESTAR CONSULTING., No. 2:16-cv-00555 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Telestar Consulting, Inc. d/b/a Kleritec and United Business Supply
Karl Wesley Angel

Assigned Attorneys: Maxine R. Stansell (NWR)
Jennifer Larabee
Maricela Segura (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Unordered Merchandise Statute, in connection with a plan to sell nondurable office or cleaning supplies to small business and non-profit organizations.

Status: Complaint filed 1/26/16.
Ex parte TRO entered 2/1/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 3/24/16.
Amended stipulated preliminary injunction entered 9/27/16.

FTC v. TRUDEAU, No. 12-6 (S. Ct.); Nos. 15-3472, 13-1746, 13-1747, 13-1898, 10-2418, 10-1383, and 08-4249 (7th Cir.); Nos. 1:03-cv-03904, 1:98-cv-00168 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Kevin Trudeau
Shop America (USA), LLC
Robert Barefoot
Deonna Enterprises, Inc.
Karbo, Inc.
Karbo Enterprises, Inc.
Sop America Marketing Group
TruStar Global Media
K.T. Corp.
TruCom, LLC
Law Offices of Marc J. Lane
Winston & Strawn LLP
Website Solutions USA (WSU)
Global Information Network USA (GIN USA)
KT Radio Network (KTRN)
Nataliya Babenko

Assigned Attorneys: Michael P. Mora (BCP/ENF)

Jonathan Cohen
David O'Toole (MWR)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive practices in violation of Sections 5 and 12 in connection with the sale of a dietary supplement; civil contempt for violations of a 1998 stipulated permanent injunction against Kevin Trudeau in connection with infomercial sales of a weight loss book; civil contempt for failure to comply with 2010 contempt sanction.

Status: Complaint filed 6/9/03.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and settlement of claims for monetary relief as to defendants Kevin Trudeau, Shop America (USA), LLC, Shop America Marketing Group, LLC, Trustar Global Media, Limited and Relief defendants K.T. Corporation, Limited and TruCom, LLC, including monetary relief of approximately $2.1 million entered 9/3/04.

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Motion to show cause why defendant Trudeau should not be held in civil contempt for violating permanent injunction, filed 9/13/07.
Order finding Trudeau in contempt for violating permanent injunction entered 11/16/07.
Hearing on remedy for violating permanent injunction held 7/22-25/08.
Judgment confirming 11/16/07 order, requiring monetary payment by Trudeau, and providing for other relief entered 8/7/08.
Commission's motion to amend/correct judgment filed 8/21/08; response by Trudeau filed 9/22/08; Commission's reply filed 10/7/08, corrected 10/21/08.
Supplemental order and judgment entered 11/4/08.
Motion by Trudeau to alter or stay judgment pending appeal filed 11/13/08; Commission's response filed 11/26/08; Trudeau's reply filed 12/3/08; order denying motion entered 12/11/08.
Notice of appeal (08-4249) filed 12/16/08.
Appellant's emergency motion for stay pending appeal filed 12/23/08; Commission's response in opposition filed 1/5/09; appellant's reply filed 1/7/09.
Order denying emergency motion for stay pending appeal entered 1/21/09.
Appellant's brief filed 2/17/09.
Motion by Appellant to file supplemental jurisdictional memorandum filed 3/5/09; order granting motion entered 3/12/09; supplemental jurisdictional memorandum filed 3/12/09.
Commission's answering brief filed 3/19/09.
Appellant's reply brief filed 4/2/09.
Oral argument heard 5/14/09.

Seventh Circuit Opinion affirming Trudeau contempt finding but vacating and remanding on monetary payment and other relief entered 8/27/09.

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Commission's renewed motion to modify stipulated final order for permanent injunction as to defendant Trudeau filed 11/13/09; defendant's response in opposition filed 12/17/09; Commission's reply filed 2/1/10; defendant's sur-reply filed 3/12/10.

Commission's renewed motion for compensatory monetary remedy as to defendant Trudeau filed 11/13/09; defendant's response in opposition filed 12/17/09, supplemented 1/19/10; Commission's reply filed 2/1/10; defendant's sur-reply filed 3/12/10.

Order finding defendant Trudeau in criminal contempt of court entered 2/11/10; modified 2/17/10.

Notice of appeal (10-1383) of criminal contempt order filed 2/17/10.

Order staying payment of fine pending appeal entered 2/24/10.

Trudeau's motion to stay proceedings pending appeal filed 3/9/10; order denying motion entered 3/12/10.

Supplemental order modifying the stipulated order for permanent injunction and awarding monetary relief entered 4/16/10.

Trudeau's motion to amend the supplemental order filed 4/22/10; Commission's response in opposition filed 5/7/10; Trudeau's reply filed 5/21/10; Commission's sur-reply filed 6/1/10.

Commission's motion to amend the supplemental order filed 5/7/10; Trudeau's response filed 5/21/10.

Seventh Circuit Opinion (10-1383) vacating finding of criminal contempt and remanding for further proceedings entered 5/20/10.

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Corrected supplemental order modifying the stipulated order for permanent injunction and awarding monetary relief entered 6/2/10.

Notice of appeal (10-2418) of supplemental and corrected supplemental orders filed 6/11/10.

Trudeau's emergency motion for stay pending appeal filed 6/15/10; Commission's response filed 6/23/10; Trudeau's reply filed 6/28/10; order denying motion filed 7/14/10.

Trudeau's brief filed 7/23/10; Commission's brief filed 8/23/10; Trudeau's reply filed 9/13/10.

Oral argument heard 9/24/10.

Seventh Circuit opinion affirming contempt sanctions and modification of decree, issued 11/29/11.

Trudeau's petition for rehearing *en banc* filed 1/13/12; denied 1/30/12.

Trudeau's petition of certiorari filed 6/28/12; Commission's brief in opposition filed 8/27/12; Trudeau's reply brief filed 9/11/12.
Certiorari denied 10/9/12.

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Motion for coercive contempt order to compel Trudeau to comply with 6/2/10 order requiring payment of $37 million contempt sanction, filed by Commission 7/16/12
Trudeau's opposition filed 9/25/12
Commission's reply filed 10/15/12.
Order holding that the Commission has established prima facie showing of Trudeau's contempt for failing to pay sanction, and ordering that Trudeau file a sworn financial statement and appear at a hearing entered 12/6/12.

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Order granting Commission's motions to compel Trudeau's attorneys (Winston & Strawn LLP, and Law Offices of Marc J. Lane) and Trudeau-controlled entities (GIN USA, KTRN, and WSU) to comply with subpoenas, issued 3/7/13.
Motion to hold Lane, GIN USA, KTRN, and WSU in contempt for failing to comply with order compelling subpoenas filed by Commission 4/1/13; Motion to file supporting documents under seal filed by Commission 4/1/13.
Order denying motion to file documents under seal issued 4/4/13.
Notices of appeal (13-1746 and 13-1747) of order denying motion to file under seal, filed by Trudeau, Winston & Strawn, Lane, GIN USA, KTRN, and WSU ("Trudeau appellants"), filed 4/9/13 .
Trudeau appellants' motions for emergency stay pending appeal filed with 7th Circuit 4/9/13; 7th Circuit emergency stay issued 4/10/13.
Trudeau appellants' motion for stay pending appeal filed with 7th Circuit on 4/12/13; Commission's opposition filed 4/17/13; 7th Circuit order vacating emergency stay issued 4/19/13; Trudeau appellants' motion to reconsider filed 4/19/13; 7th Circuit order denying reconsideration issued 7/24/13.
Trudeau appellants' motion to dismiss case as moot filed 4/26/13; appeals (13-1746 and 13-1747) dismissed 4/29/13.

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Trudeau bankruptcy petition filed 4/22/13.
Trudeau motion to stay discovery in district court contempt proceeding filed 4/23/13; Commission's opposition brief and motion for ruling that automatic stay does not apply to contempt proceeding, filed

4/24/13; Trudeau opposition to Commission's motion filed 4/25/13; District court order granting Commission's motion issued 4/26/13.

Notice of appeal (13-1898) filed by Trudeau 4/26/13; Trudeau's motion for stay pending appeal filed 4/26/13; Commission's opposition filed 4/29/13.

Seventh Circuit order denying stay issued 4/30/13.

Trudeau's appeal voluntarily dismissed 5/24/13.

Bankruptcy proceeding dismissed 5/28/13.

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Motion to hold defendant in contempt filed 7/13/12; evidentiary hearings before district court on Commission's motion to hold Trudeau in contempt for failing to pay civil contempt sanction, held 5/21/13 and 6/26-27/13.

Writ *ne exeat* ordering Trudeau to surrender passport and not to leave the United States until further order of court issued 6/25/13.

Order partially granting motion to hold Trudeau in contempt entered 7/26/13.

Order finding Trudeau in contempt of court and directing the US Marshall to take him into custody entered 9/18/13; order releasing Trudeau from custody entered 9/19/13.

Order finding Trudeau in contempt of court and ordering him incarcerated entered 10/17/13; order releasing Trudeau from custody to prepare for criminal contempt trial entered 10/28/13.

Order directing that Trudeau be incarcerated to coerce compliance with court's prior orders, such coercive incarceration to be independent of any incarceration resulting from Trudeau's recent conviction for criminal contempt, entered 11/21/13.

Order suspending Trudeau's civil sentence pending completion of his criminal sentence entered 3/19/14.

Commission's motion for approval of partial victim redress plan filed 7/9/15; objection to plan by Patrick Deady filed 9/4/15; response by receiver filed 9/25/15; reply by the Commission filed 9/28/15.

Notice of appeal filed 11/3/15.

Appellants' opening brief filed 2/11/16; Commission's answering brief filed 4/13/16; Appellants' reply brief filed 4/27/16.

Oral argument heard 9/14/16.

Supplemental memoranda requested by court of appeals filed 9/28/16.

Opinion affirming district court judgment entered 12/29/16.

FTC v. UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC., No. 3:17-cv-00261 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Uber Technologies, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Katherine Worthman (BCP/FP)
Iona Rusu
Colin Hector

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with Defendant's false, misleading or unsubstantiated claims regarding driver earnings and its Vehicle Solutions Program.

Status: Complaint filed 1/19/17.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 2/2/17.

FTC v. UNIFIED GLOBAL GROUP, No. 1:15-cv-00422 (W.D.N.Y.)

Parties: ARM WNY, LLC
Audubon Financial Bureau LLC
Anthony Coppola
Domenico D'Angelo, a/k/a Dominick D'Angelo
Unified Global Group, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Leah Frazier (BCP/FP)
Jason Schall

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the FDCPA, in connection with abusive and unfair debt collection practices.

Status: Complaint filed 5/11/15.
Ex parte TRO entered 5/12/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Anthony Coppola entered 6/26/15.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to Unified Global Group, LLC; ARM WNY LLC; Audubon Financial Bureau LLC; and Domenico D'Angelo entered 6/26/15.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants ARM WNY, Audubon Financial Bureau, and Domenico D'Angelo entered 8/26/16.

FTC v. UNITED DEBT COUNSELORS, LLC, No. 4:17-cv-00143 (E.D. Tex.)

Parties: United Debt Counselors, LLC f/k/a United Debt Services, LLC d/b/a Department of Negotiations
David Melrose
Kirk Lanaham
Corinne Maples

Assigned Attorneys: Eric Roberson (SWR)
Susan Arthur

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the sale of debt relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 2/27/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 3/15/17.

FTC v. UNIVERSAL CITY NISSAN, INC., No. 2:16-cv-7329 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Universal City Nissan, Inc. d/b/a Universal Nissan
Sage Downton, Inc. d/b/a Kia of Downtown Los Angeles
Glendale Nissan/Infiniti, Inc. d/b/a Glendale Nissan, Glendale Infiniti
Valencia Holding Company, LLC d/b/a Mercedes-Benz of Valencia
West Covina Auto Group d/b/a West Covina Toyota, West Covina Toyota/Scion
West Covina Nissan, LLC
Covina MJL, LLC d/b/a Sage Covina Chevrolet
Sage North Hollywood, LLC d/b/a Sage Pre-Owned
Sage Vermont, LLC d/b/a Sage Hyundai
Sage Holding Company, Inc.
Sage Management Company, Inc.
Leonard Schrage a/k/a Leonard Sage
Joseph Schrage a/k/a Joseph Sage
Michael Schrage a/k/a Michael Sage

Assigned Attorneys: Thomas Widor (BCP/FP)
Daniel Dwyer
Thomas Syta (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act, the Truth in Lending Act, and Consumer Leasing Act in connection with the leasing, selling, and financing of vehicles and add-on products or services.

Status: Complaint filed 9/29/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 10/25/16.
Notice of dismissal as to Leonard Schrage filed 3/21/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 3/21/17.

FTC v. VANTAGE POINT SERVICES, No. 1:15-cv-00006 (W.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Vantage Point Services, LLC
Payment Management Solutions, Inc.
Bonified Payment Solutions, Inc.

Gregory Mackinnon
Megan Vandeviver
Angela Burdorf
Joseph Ciffa

Assigned Attorneys: Colin Hector (BCP/FP)
Nikhil Singhvi

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with debt collection activities.

Status: Complaint filed 1/5/15.
TRO entered 1/5/15.
Preliminary injunction with asset freeze entered 5/15/15.
Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 8/19/16; opposition by defendants filed 11/3/16; Commission's reply filed 11/30/16.
Motion for contempt against defendant Joseph Ciffa filed 12/13/16.
Second TRO entered 12/14/16.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendant Joseph Ciffa filed 1/17/17.

FTC v. VIZIO, INC., No. 2:17-cv-00758 (D.N.J.)

Parties: Vizio, Inc.
Vizio Inscape Services, LLC
State of New Jersey (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Kevin Moriarty (BCP/DPIP)
Megan Cox

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, and the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act in connection with the manufacture of internet-connected televisions with tracking software.

Status: Complaint filed 2/6/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 2/14/17.

FTC v. VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC., No. 3:16-cv-01534, 3:15-md-02672 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. d/b/a Volkswagen of America, Inc. d/b/a Audi of America, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Jonathan C. Cohen (BCP/ENF)

Michelle L. Shaefer
Amanda B. Kostner
Sanjoon Han
Megan A. Bartley

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the false advertising of Defendant's "Clean Diesel" vehicles.

Status: Complaint filed 3/29/16.
Proposed partial stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment filed 6/28/16.
Partial stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 10/25/16.
Proposed second partial stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment filed 1/31/17.
Proposed amended second partial stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment filed 3/28/17.

FTC v. WESTERN UNION COMPANY, No. 1:17-cv-00110 (M.D. Pa.)

Parties: The Western Union Company d/b/a Western Union Financial Services

Assigned Attorneys: Karen Dodge (MWR)
Joannie Wei
Elizabeth Scott

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with Defendant's failure to take timely, appropriate, and effective measures to mitigate fraud in the processing of money transfers sent by consumers

Status: Complaint filed 1/19/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and final judgment entered 1/20/17.

FTC v. WILLIAMS, SCOTT & ASSOCIATES, LLC, No. 16-10063 (11th Cir.); No. 1:14-cv-1599 (N.D. Ga.)

Parties: Williams, Scott & Associates, LLC
WSA, LLC
John Williams
Chris Lenyszyn

Assigned Attorneys: Robin L. Rock (SER)
Brad Grossman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with abusive and deceptive debt collection.

Status:
Complaint filed 5/27/14.
TRO with asset freeze entered 5/28/14.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 6/19/14.
Amended complaint filed 9/24/14.
Commission's motion to hold defendant John Williams in contempt for violations of the stipulated preliminary injunction order filed 11/10/14; granted 12/2/14.
Clerk's entry of default as to John Williams; Williams Scott & Associates; and WSA LLC entered 12/12/14.
Order imposing contempt sanctions against defendants John Williams; Williams Scott and Associates LLC and WSA LLC, as well as Sterling Ross and entities associated with it, entered 12/22/14.
Commission's motion for default judgment against defendants John Williams, Williams, Scott & Associates LLC, and WSA, LLC filed 3/6/15.
Default judgment and final order for permanent injunction against defendants John Williams, Williams, Scott & Associates, LLC, and WSA, LLC entered 4/2/15.
Motion for summary judgment against defendant Chris Lenyszyn filed 7/30/15; response in opposition filed 9/30/15.
Order granting summary judgment in favor of Commission as to defendant Lenyszyn entered 11/4/15.
Permanent injunction and final monetary judgment as to defendant Chris Lenyszyn entered 11/4/15.
Notice of appeal filed 1/4/16.
Appellant's opening brief filed 4/18/16.
Order dismissing appeal entered 4/26/16; order granting motion to reinstate appeal entered 6/8/16.
Commission's answering brief filed 7/7/16; Lenyszyn's reply brief filed 8/8/16.
11th Circuit opinion affirming district court's judgment entered 2/10/17.

FTC v. WORLD PATENT MARKETING, INC., No. 1:17-cv-20848 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties:
World Patent Marketing, Inc.
Desa Industries, Inc. d/b/a World Patent Marketing
Scott Cooper

Assigned Attorneys:
Colleen Robbins (BCP/MP)
James Evans
Jody Goodman

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with Defendants' invention-promotion services.

Status: Complaint filed 3/6/17.
Ex parte TRO entered 3/7/17.

FTC v. WV UNIVERSAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, Nos. 16-17727, 15-11500, 15-13380 (11th Cir.); No. 6:12-cv-01618 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: WV Universal Management, LLC, d/b/a Treasure Your Success
Leading Production, LLC
Global Financial Assist, LLC
HES Merchant Services Company, Inc.
Business First Solutions, Inc.
Voiceonyx Corp.
Universal Processing Services of Wisconsin, LLC
Derek Depuydt
Hal E. Smith
Jonathon E. Warren
Ramon Sanchez-Ortega
Willy Plancher
Valbona Toska

Assigned Attorneys: Christopher Panek (ECR)
Fil M. de Banate
Jonathan Kessler
Michael Milgrom
Mark Hegedus (OGC)
Theodore Metzger

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5 and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with sale of services that will purportedly reduce consumers' credit card interest rates.

Status: Complaint filed 10/29/12.
Order granting preliminary injunction entered 11/14/12.
Amended complaint filed 6/18/13.
Motion to dismiss by HES Merchant Services Company filed 8/7/13; Commission's response filed 8/23/13.
Motion for summary judgment by Universal Processing Services filed 8/16/13; Commission's opposition filed 9/16/13; reply filed 9/30/13.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and final judgment as to defendants Willy Plancher, Valbona Toska, WV Universal

Management LLC, Global Financial Assist LLC, and Leading Production LLC entered 9/23/13.

Commission's motion for summary judgment filed 6/30/14; defendant Derek Depuydt's opposition brief filed 7/29/14; Business First Solutions, VoiceOnyx Corp., and Jonathon Warren's brief in opposition filed 7/30/14; affidavit in opposition by Hal Smith filed 8/1/14.

Permanent injunction and final judgment as to defendant Ramon Sanchez-Ortega entered 10/6/14.

Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment entered 11/18/14.

Stipulated permanent injunction and final order as to Derek Depuydt entered 11/19/14.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and final judgment as to defendants, Jonathon Warren, Business First Solutions Inc. and Voiceonyx Corp. entered 11/19/14.

Permanent injunction and final judgment as to defendants Hal E. Smith and HES Merchant Services Company, Inc. entered 2/11/15.

Order granting motion for equitable monetary relief judgment against defendants Hal E. Smith, HES Merchant Services Company, Inc., and Universal Processing Services of Wisconsin, LLC entered 2/11/15.

Permanent injunction and final monetary judgment as to defendant Universal Processing Services of Wisconsin, LLC entered 5/19/15.

Notice of appeal of summary judgment by Universal Processing Services of Wisconsin, LLC filed 7/17/15.

Appellant UPS's opening brief filed 10/20/15; Appellant HES's opening brief filed 10/21/15; Commission's responsive brief filed 12/23/15; UPS' reply brief filed 1/19/16.

Oral argument heard 5/18/16.

Per curiam decision affirming district court's summary judgment order and monetary relief against HES, but vacating the order of monetary relief against UPS and remanding case to district court for further findings on appropriateness of joint and several liability against UPS, entered 6/14/16.

Notice of appeal filed 12/21/16.

Appellant's opening brief filed 2/27/17.

FTC v. XXL IMPRESSIONS, LLC, No. 1:17-cv-00067 (D. Me.)

Parties:

XXL Impressions, LLC d/b/a Better Health Nutritionals
Jeffrey Powlowsky
J2 Response, LLP d/b/a J2 Response
Justin Bumann
Justin Steinle
Synergixx, LLC d/b/a CTF Media

Charlie Fusco
Ronald Jahner
Brazos Minshew a/k/a Samuel Brant
State of Maine (Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: James Prunty (BCP/AP)
James Frankel

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sale Rule, Maine's Telemarketing Act, and the Maine Unfair Trade Practices Act in connection with the marketing of products purported to provide joint pain relief and to prevent or mitigate cognitive decline.

Status: Complaint filed 2/22/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants J2 Response, XXL Impressions, Jeffrey Powlowsky, Justin Bumann, Justin Steinle, and Brazos Minshew entered 3/10/17.

CIVIL PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT CASES*

(A) Consumer Protection

FTC v. CARIBBEAN CRUISE LINE, No. 0:15-cv-60423 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Caribbean Cruise Line, Inc.
Linked Services Solutions, LLC
Economic Strategy, LLC
Pacific Telecom Communications Group
International Telephone Corporation
International Telephone, LLC
T M Caller ID, LLC
Telephone Management Corporation
Scott Broomfield
Jason Birkett
Jacob Dejongh
Fred A. Accuardi
Steve Hamilton

* Includes all suits in which civil penalties are sought; consumer redress, injunctions, and ancillary equitable relief may also be sought.

Assigned Attorneys: Bikram Bandy (BCP/MP)
Christopher Brown

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with robocalls.

Status: Complaint filed 3/3/15.
Motion by Commission to approve consent judgment as to defendants Caribbean Cruise Line, Inc., Linked Services Solutions, LLC, Scott Broomfield, Jason Birkett, Economic Strategy, Jacob Dejongh and Steve Hamilton filed 3/3/15.
Amended complaint filed 5/18/15; counterclaim by Pacific Telecom Communications Group and International Telephone Corporation filed 6/2/15.
Commission's motion to dismiss counterclaim filed 8/13/15; response filed 9/4/15; reply filed 9/21/15.
Unopposed motion to approve consent judgment by the Commission filed 9/18/15.
Order denying Commission's motion to dismiss counterclaims but granting defendants' motion to amend entered 3/28/16; amended counterclaim filed 4/9/16; Commission's motion to dismiss counterclaims filed 8/16/16.
Order referring case to mediation entered 4/14/16.
Order staying action pending Commission approval of settlement entered 11/10/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment as to defendants Fred Accuardi, Telephone Management Corporation, TM Called ID, LLC, Pacific Telecom Communications Group, International Telephone Corporation and International Telephone, LLC entered 2/17/17.

UNITED STATES v. COMMERCIAL RECOVERY SYSTEMS, No. 4:15-cv-0036 (E.D. Tex.)

Parties: Commercial Recovery Systems, Inc.
Timothy Ford
David Devany

Assigned Attorneys: Anne D. Lejeune (SWR)
Heide L. Herrmann (DOJ)

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with collecting auto loan and credit card debts.

Status: Complaint filed 1/20/15.
United States' motion for summary judgment filed 12/18/15; order granting motion for summary judgment as to defendant Timothy

Ford and CRS, and denying as to defendant David Devany entered 4/7/16.
Defendant David Devany's motion for summary judgment filed 12/18/15; order denying motion for summary judgment entered 6/1/16.
Order for permanent injunction as to defendants CRS and Timothy Ford entered 4/18/16.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment as to defendant David Devany entered 9/21/16.
Memorandum opinion and order finding defendant Timothy Ford liable for civil penalties entered 3/21/17.

UNITED STATES v. DISH NETWORK LLC, No. 13-2282 (7th Cir.); 3:09-CV-03073 (C.D. Ill.)

Parties: Dish Network L.L.C.

Assigned Attorneys: Russell Deitch (BCP/MP)
Gary Ivens
Patrick Runkle (DOJ/CPB)
Lisa Hsiao

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with abandoned calls and telephone calls to consumers on the National Do Not Call registry.

Status: Complaint filed 3/25/09.
Defendant's motion to dismiss filed 5/21/09; plaintiff's response in opposition filed 7/17/09; defendant's reply filed 7/27/09; plaintiff's sur-reply filed 9/11/09.
Order denying motion to dismiss entered 11/2/09.
Defendant's motion for reconsideration or interlocutory appeal filed 11/19/09; plaintiff's response filed 12/22/09; order denying motion entered 2/4/10.
Memorandum in opposition to motion/petition filed 5/21/10.
Motion to compel 7/30/10; memorandum in opposition to motion 8/16/10; memorandum in support of motion filed 9/24/10; order on motion to compel entered 12/9/10.
Appeal of magistrate judge decision to district court filed 12/29/10.
Defendants' motion to stay action under doctrine of primary jurisdiction filed 12/21/10; opposition filed 1/12/11.
Order directing the parties to file an administrative complaint with the FCC, to obtain its interpretation of statutory language entered 2/4/11.
Order vacating magistrate's decision denying Commission's motion for leave to file second amended complaint entered 3/12/13.
Amended complaint filed 3/12/13.

Petition for writ of mandamus by Dish Network filed 6/12/13.
Order denying petition for mandamus entered 7/3/13.
United States' motion for summary judgment filed 12/23/13; opposition filed 3/6/14.
Motion for summary judgment by Dish Network filed 1/6/14; opposition filed 5/30/14.
United States' motion for summary judgment filed 5/30/14.
Order directing parties to file memoranda addressing issue of deference to agency's interpretation of its regulations entered 7/8/14; parties' memoranda of law filed 8/8/14; parties' responses to each other's memoranda filed 8/22/14.
Order granting partial summary judgment for United States and partial summary judgment for Dish Network entered 12/12/14.
Motion for sanctions by United States and state plaintiffs filed 7/20/15; memorandum in opposition filed 8/21/15; reply filed 9/10/15; order granting motion in part and denying in part entered 10/13/15.
Trial on civil penalties held 1/19/16-2/17/16.
Trial on permanent injunctive relief held 10/25/16-11/2/16.

UNITED STATES v. FEATURE FILMS FOR FAMILIES, INC., Nos. 2:12-CV-00811, 2:11-cv-00419 (D. Utah); No. 4:11-CV-00197 (N.D. Fla.)

Parties: Feature Films for Families, Inc.
Corporations for Character LC
Family Films of Utah, Inc.
Forrest Sandusky Baker, III

Assigned Attorneys: Peter G. Fisher (AUSA)
Jared C. Bennett
Daniel M. Baeza (DOJ/CPB)
Michael Tankersley (BCP/MP)
Arturo DeCastro

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with telemarketing to induce the purchase of goods or services, and to induce charitable contributions, telemarketing calls to consumers on the Do-Not-Call list.

Status: Complaint filed 5/5/11.
Defendants' motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim and for improper venue filed 7/25/11; United States' memo in opposition filed 8/8/11; order denying motion entered 10/25/11.
Defendants' counterclaim against the United States filed 11/14/11.
United States' motion to dismiss counterclaims for lack of jurisdiction filed 12/21/11; response in opposition filed 1/09/12; motion denied 5/19/12.

Case transferred to the District of Utah 8/20/12.
Case consolidated with Corporation for Character v. FTC, No. 2:11-CV-00419, on 9/6/12.
Defendants' motion for partial summary judgment filed 9/6/12; United States' opposition filed 12/14/12.
United States' motion for partial summary judgment filed 3/1/13.
United States' second motion for partial summary judgment filed 5/17/13; opposition filed 7/19/13; reply filed 7/30/13.
Hearing on motions for partial summary judgment held 1/16/14.
United States' supplemental memorandum regarding motion for summary judgment filed 2/14/14; defendants' reply to supplemental memorandum filed 3/7/14.
Order granting in part and denying in part defendants' motion for partial summary judgment and granting in part and denying in part United States' motion for partial summary judgment entered 3/31/15.
Trial held 5/17 - 5/25/16.
Jury verdict for Commission entered 5/26/16.
United States' motion for entry of permanent injunction based on jury verdict filed 7/8/16; response by Corporation for Character filed 7/22/16.

UNITED STATES v. GC SERVICES, LP, No. 4:17-cv-00461 (S.D. Tex.)

Parties: GC Services, LP

Assigned Attorneys: Michael White (BCP/FP)
Gregory Ashe
Jocelyn Hines (DOJ/CPB)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in connection with the collection of consumer debt.

Status: Complaint filed 2/14/17.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment entered 3/2/17.

FTC v. JONES, No. 8:17-cv-00058 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Aaron Michael Jones a/k/a Michael Aaron Jones, Mike Jones
Houston Fraley
Tyler Hall
Kasia Kinaman
Eric Oakley
Richard Paik
Steven Stansburg a/k/a Steve Stansbury

Raymund Verallo a/k/a Raymond Verallo, Ray Verallo
Andrew Yoshioka
Allorey, Inc.
Audacity, LLC
Data World Technologies, Inc.
Dial Soft Technologies, Inc.
Digital Marketing Solutions, Inc.
Local Lighthouse Corporation
Savilo Support Services, Inc.
Secure Alliance Corporation
Velocity Information Corporation
World Access Media

Assigned Attorneys: James Evans (BCP/MP)
Ian Barlow
Thomas Syta (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with Defendants' sale of access to a computer-based telephone dialing platform that allowed users make robocalls to consumers on the National DNC Registry.

Status: Complaint filed 1/11/17.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment as to defendants Tyler Hall, Kasia Kinaman, Eric Oakley, Richard Paik, Raymund Verallo, Andrew Yoshioka, and Local Lighthouse Corporation entered 1/25/17.
Amended stipulated final order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment as to defendants Tyler Hall, Kasia Kinaman, Eric Oakley, Richard Paik, Raymund Verallo, Andrew Yoshioka, and Local Lighthouse Corporation entered 1/30/17.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment as to defendant Houston Fraley entered 1/30/17.

UNITED STATES v. KFJ MARKETING, LLC, No. 2:16-cv-1643 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: KFJ Marketing, LLC
Sunlight Solar Leads, LLC
Go Green Education
Francisco J. Salvat
Julio E. Salvat

Assigned Attorneys: Sarah E. Schroeder (WRSF)
Alexander E. Reicher
Sylvia Kundig
Benjamin Mizer (DOJ)

Johnathan F. Olin
Michael S. Blume (DOJ/CPB)
Andrew E. Clark
Jacqueline Blaesi-Freed

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with the use of robocalls to sell solar panels and installation services.

Status: Complaint filed 3/10/16.
Amended complaint filed 5/13/16.

FTC v. RAMSEY, No. 9:17-cv-80032 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Justin Ramsey
Brian Offner
Christopher Herghelegiu
Data Guru, Inc.
Tailbone Security, LLC
Leading Apex, LLC
Prime Marketing, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Russell Deitch (BCP/MP)
Ian Barlow

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with Defendants' initiation of calls to numbers on the Do Not Call Registry, and the use of pre-recorded calls or robocalls.

Status: Complaint filed 1/10/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment as to defendants Christopher Herghelegiu, Data Guru, Tailbone Security, Brian Offner, and Leading Apex entered 2/1/17.

UNITED STATES v. UPROMISE, INC., No. 1:17-cv-10442 (D. Mass.)

Parties: UPromise, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Jocelyn Hines (DOJ/CPB)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with Defendant's distribution of the RewardU toolbar to collect information about consumers' online activities and search queries.

Status: Complaint filed 3/16/17.
Stipulated final order for permanent injunction and civil penalty judgment entered 3/23/17.

(B) Competition

UNITED STATES v. OKUMUS, No. 1:17-cv-00104 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Ahmet H. Okumus

Assigned Attorneys: Kenneth Libby (BC/Compliance)

Alleged Conduct: Violation of the notice and waiting requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, with respect to the acquisition of voting securities of Web.com Group, Inc.

Status: Complaint filed 1/17/17.

UNITED STATES v. RALES, No. 1:17-cv-00103 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Mitchell P. Rales

Assigned Attorneys: Jennifer Lee (BC/Compliance)
Daniel Ducore
Kenneth Libby
Roberta Baruch

Alleged Conduct: Violation of the notice and waiting requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, with respect to the acquisition of voting securities of Colfax Corporation and Danaher Corporation.

Status: Complaint filed 1/17/17.

UNITED STATES v. SAROFIM, No. 1:16-cv-2156 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Fayez Sarofim

Assigned Attorneys: Kenneth A. Libby (BC/Compliance)
Daniel Ducore
Roberta Baruch
Jennifer Lee

Alleged Conduct: Violation of the notice and waiting requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, with respect to the acquisition of

voting securities of Kinder Morgan, Inc. and Kemper Corporation.

Status: Complaint filed 10/27/16.
Final judgment entered 1/26/17.

SUBPOENA AND CID ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

FTC v. AFR FINANCIAL, LLC, No. 3:16-mc-00045 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: AFR Financial, LLC

Assigned Attorney: Bradley Grossman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce CID.

Status: Petition filed 7/29/16.
Order to show cause entered 8/4/16.
Report and recommendation by magistrate judge granting petition for enforcement of CID entered 9/30/16.
Order directing AFR to comply with CID in full by November 17 entered 11/2/16.
Motion for contempt against AFR filed 3/17/17.

FTC v. BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., No. 12-5393 (D.C. Cir.); No. 1:09-MC-00564 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Mark Hegedus (OGC)
Leslie R. Melman
David C. Shonka

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce a subpoena.

Status: Petition filed 10/23/09.
Order to show cause entered 12/4/09.
Matter transferred to magistrate judge 12/1/10.
Status conference held on 10/24/11.
Hearing on merits held 12/09/11.
Order denying Commission's petition as to financial analysis documents and ordering Boehringer to redact and produce the remaining records entered 9/27/12.
Order holding that Boehringer failed to conduct an adequate search of its electronically stored information, and ordering Boehringer to run additional searches entered 10/16/12.

Commission's notice of appeal filed 12/11/12.
Boehringer's motion to dismiss appeal filed 1/28/13; Commission's response in opposition filed 2/11/13; Boehringer's reply filed 2/22/13; order denying motion to dismiss entered 4/12/13.
Commission's initial brief filed 6/28/13; appellees' brief filed 8/28/13; Commission's reply brief filed 9/11/13; appellee's final brief filed 10/3/13.
Argument held 10/14/14.
Opinion reversing and remanding to district court entered 2/20/15.
Boehringer's petition for rehearing en banc filed 4/6/15; Commission's response filed 5/19/15; denied 6/4/15.
Boehringer's motion to stay pending a petition for certiorari filed 6/11/15; Commission's opposition filed 6/22/15.
Order denying motion to stay mandate 7/2/15.
Petition for writ of certiorari filed 10/2/15; Commission's opposition brief filed 12/16/15; order denying petition for writ of certiorari entered 1/19/16.
Order by district court directing Boehringer to file brief discussing new evidence entered 12/2/15; Boehringer's brief filed 12/23/15; Commission's response filed 1/20/16; Boehringer's motion to file reply brief filed 1/28/16; Commission's response in opposition filed 2/1/16.
Opinion and order by district court directing Boehringer to produce documents for which it has claimed only work product protection entered 9/27/16.
Order granting request for extension and for a protective order stating that Boehringer's production of documents under the 9/27/16 order will not waive work-product protection entered 10/20/16.
Commission's notice of appeal filed 11/23/16.
Boehringer's cross-appeal and request that court stay compliance pending appeal filed 11/28/16; Commission's opposition to stay filed 12/9/16.
Commission's opening brief filed 3/27/17; Boehringer's answering brief due 5/26/17; Commission's reply brief due 7/17/17.

FTC v. GENERAL, LLC, No. 3:16-cv-136 (D. Nev.)

Parties:	General, LLC Media, LLC
Assigned Attorney:	Burke Kappler (OGC)
Alleged Conduct:	Petition to enforce CIDs.
Status:	Petition to enforce CIDs filed 3/9/16. Defendants' response filed 4/25/16; Commission's reply filed 4/29/16.

Show cause hearing held on 5/3/16.
Commission's motion to compel production filed 6/16/16.
Order by magistrate judge granting motion entered 8/15/16; defendants' objection to order filed 9/15/16; Commission's response filed 9/22/16.
Order by district court affirming magistrate judge's order entered 1/27/17.

***FTC v. INDIVIOR, INC.* (*RECKITT BENCKISER PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.*),** No. 3:14-mc-00005 (E.D. Va.)

Parties: Indivior f/k/a Reckitt Benckiser Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Assigned Attorney: Burke W. Kappler (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce a CID.

Status:
Petition filed 8/8/14.
Reckitt Benckiser Pharmaceuticals' motion to transfer filed 9/3/14; Commission's brief in opposition to motion to transfer filed 9/12/14; order denying motion to transfer entered 9/24/14.
Commission's motion to enforce CID filed 11/24/14; Reckitt's brief in opposition filed 12/8/14; Commission's reply brief filed 12/15/14.
Memorandum Opinion directing Reckitt to produce documents for in camera review by Special Master entered 3/10/15.
Parties' replies to Special Master filed 4/24/15; evidentiary hearing held 5/8/15.
Special Master's motion for clarification filed 5/28/15; order denying Reckitt's position on scope of in camera review entered 6/1/2015.
In chambers conference held on 9/9/2015.
Interim report and recommendation by Special Master entered 2/9/16.
Supplemental report by Special Master directing Reckitt to produce additional documents entered 3/31/16.
Commission's motion asking district court to adopt Special Master's report and recommendation filed 4/25/16.
Opinion and order adopting the Special Master's findings and directing Reckitt to produce over 3,700 documents no later than 8/15/16 entered 8/1/16.
Conference between parties and Special Master regarding procedures for review of remaining 19,000 documents held 8/8/16.
Third interim report by Special Master entered 2/2/17.
Fourth interim report by Special Master recommending production of approximately 15, 000 additional documents entered 2/22/17.
Stipulated order for production of records entered 3/10/17.
Stipulated order for dismissal entered 3/20/17.

FTC v. INFANTE, No. 4:17-mc-00008 (N.D. Ohio)

Parties: Aniello Infante

Assigned Attorney: Burke W. Kappler (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce a CID.

Status: Petition filed 2/7/17.

FTC v. IT MEDIA, INC., No. 2:16-cv-9483 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: IT Media, Inc.

Assigned Attorney: Michael Bergman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce a CID.

Status: Petition filed 12/22/16.
Order compelling compliance with CID entered 2/2/17.

FTC v. LEXIUM INTERNATIONAL, LLC, No. 2:16-mc-00026 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Lexium International, LLC
Cellmark Biopharma, LLC

Assigned Attorney: Brad Grossman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce CIDs.

Status: Petition filed 9/16/16.
Order to show cause entered 10/4/16.
Response to petition filed 10/27/16; Commission's reply filed 11/9/16.

FTC v. THE WESTERN UNION CO., Nos. 13-3100, 13-3272 (2d Cir.); No.1:13-MC-00131 (S.D.N.Y)

Parties: The Western Union Company
Lonnie Keene
Keene Consulting Arizona, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Burke Kappler (OGC)
Leslie R. Melman

Alleged Conduct: Petition for an order to enforce a CID.

Status: Petition filed 4/15/13.
Hearing held 5/28/13.
Enforcement order entered 6/6/13; revised 6/7/13.
Motion by Western Union for clarification or reconsideration filed 6/17/13; Commission's opposition filed 6/19/13; motion denied 6/20/13.
Notice of appeal by Commission filed 8/14/13; cross appeal by Western Union filed 8/27/13.
Application for contempt by Commission filed 11/8/13; response by Western Union filed 11/27/13; reply filed 12/5/13; stipulated order resolving contempt entered 12/9/13.
Commission's opening appeal brief filed 11/27/13; Western Union's answering and cross-appeal brief filed 2/26/14; Commission's response and reply brief filed 4/28/14; Western Union's reply on cross-appeal filed 5/22/14.
Oral argument heard 9/10/14.
Second Circuit court opinion holding that the district court erred in not enforcing the CID entered 10/8/14.
Joint memorandum of law filed 3/6/15.
Stipulation of dismissal entered 2/3/17.

SUITS TO ENJOIN FTC ACTION AND OTHER DEFENSIVE LITIGATION

ALLERGAN FINANCE v. FTC, No. 2:17-cv-00406 (E.D. Pa.)

Parties: Allergan Finance, LLC

Assigned Attorney: Matthew Hoffman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory judgment and alleging forum-shopping in connection with the Commission's re-filing of claims as to the Lidoderm Settlement Agreement.

Status: Complaint filed 1/27/17.
Order consolidating case with *Endo Pharmaceuticals v. FTC*, No. 2:16-cv-05599, entered 2/1/17.

COMPASSION OVER KILLING v. FTC, No. 15-15107 (9th Cir.); No. 3:13-cv-1385 (N.D. Cal.)

Plaintiffs: Compassion Over Killing
Animal Legal Defense Fund
Elizabeth Barrett

Adrea Bock
Linda Calbreath
Jason Canada
Jeri Opalk
Humberto Retana

Defendants: Food and Drug Administration and Margaret Hamburg, Commissioner
Agriculture Marketing Service and David R. Shipman, Administrator
Food Safety and Inspection Service and Alfred V. Almanza, Administrator
Federal Trade Commission and Edith Ramirez, Chairwoman

Assigned Attorney: Michele Arington (OGC)
Ann Entwistle (DOJ/CPB)
Jeffrey E. Sandberg (DOJ/CIV)

Nature of Action: Action for declaratory and injunctive relief under the Administrative Procedure Act in connection with petitions requesting rulemakings to revise or create new labeling requirements for eggs.

Status: Complaint filed 3/28/13.
Amended complaint filed 3/27/14.
Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment filed 7/23/14; government's opposition and cross-motion for summary judgment filed 8/27/14; plaintiffs' reply/response filed 9/26/14; government's reply brief filed 10/27/14.
Order denying plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment and granting the government's motion for summary judgment entered 12/23/14.
Notice of Appeal filed 1/20/15.
Appellants' opening brief filed 6/16/15; Government's answering brief filed 9/8/15; appellants' reply brief filed 10/26/15.
Oral argument heard 12/14/16.
9th Circuit opinion affirming the district court's judgment entered 2/27/17.

CONSUMERS FOR AUTO RELIABILITY & SAFETY v. FTC, No. 1:17-cv-00540 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety
Center for Auto Safety
U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Leslie Melman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action for declaratory and injunctive relief under the Administrative Procedure Act in connection with the Commission's consent orders with General Motors and two dealerships regarding the advertising of used motor vehicles.

Status: Complaint filed 3/24/17.

DOE v. FTC, No. 4:16-cv-00071 (W.D. Mo.)

Parties: John Doe
Jane Doe

Assigned Attorneys: Jeffrey Ray (AUSA)
Leslie Melman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking damages under the Privacy Act in connection with the disclosure of private and sensitive identifying information.

Status: Complaint filed 1/28/16.
Amended complaint filed 10/21/16.
Commission's motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 11/22/16; plaintiff's opposition filed 12/21/16; reply filed 1/17/17.

ENDO PHARMACEUTICALS v. FTC, Nos. 2:16-cv-05599, 2:16-cv-05600 (E.D. Pa.)

Parties: Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Endo International, PLC
Impax Laboratories, Inc.
Watson Laboratories, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Bradley Albert (BC/HC)
Jamie Towey
Matthew Hoffman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory judgment that Section 13(b) of the FTC Act does not authorize the Commission to pursue its claims against them in federal court.

Status: Complaint filed 10/26/16.
Commission's motion to dismiss for lack of subject matter jurisdiction filed 12/30/16; opposition filed 1/13/17; Commission's reply filed 1/20/17.
Order consolidating case with *Allergan Finance v. FTC*, No. 2:17-cv-00406, entered 2/1/17.
Notice of voluntary dismissal by Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc and Endo International PLC entered 2/2/17.
Consolidated amended complaint by Allergan and Watson filed 2/15/17.
Commission's motion to dismiss for lack of subject matter jurisdiction, or in the alternative, failure to state a claim, filed 3/2/17; plaintiffs' opposition filed 3/16/17; Commission's reply filed 3/23/17; plaintiffs' sur-reply filed 3/30/17.

FRANKEL v. UNITED STATES, No. 15-5146 (Fed. Cir.); No. 1:13-cv-546 (Fed. Cl.)

Parties: David Frankel

Assigned Attorneys: Meen Geu Oh (DOJ)
Olga Vaytsman (OGC)
Jack Metzler

Nature of Action: Action alleging that the Commission failed to conduct the Robocall Challenge in accordance with its own published rules.

Status: Complaint filed 8/6/13.
Motion to dismiss by USA filed 10/28/13; defendant's response filed 11/7/13; reply filed 11/26/13; sur-reply filed 12/3/13.
Opinion granting in part and denying in part motion to dismiss entered 8/27/14.
Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment filed 4/6/15; Commission's response and cross motion filed 5/4/15; Plaintiff's reply filed 5/23/15; Commission's reply filed 6/19/15; sur-reply filed by David Frankel 6/26/15.
Oral argument scheduled for 7/14/15.
Judgment granting the Commission's motion for summary judgment 7/23/15.
Defendant's motion for reconsideration denied 7/31/15.
Notice of appeal by the defendant filed 8/29/15.
Appellant's opening brief filed 12/21/15; Commission's answering brief filed 3/4/16; appellant's reply brief filed 3/21/16.
Oral argument heard 9/7/16.
Opinion affirming judgment for Commission entered 12/1/16.

GOLDMAN v. FTC, 9:16-cv-81870 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Sam J. Goldman a/k/a Sammy Joe Goldman

Assigned Attorneys: Miriam Lederer (BCP/ENF)

Nature of Action: Action seeking a declaratory judgment that a stipulated judgment entered in a related matter does not give the Commission the right to attach or enforce a lien on the Plaintiff's homestead property.

Status: Complaint filed 11/14/16.
Joint motion to stay case pending the Court's decision on the Commission's motion for an equitable lien in the related matter filed 2/15/17.

SOUNDBOARD ASSOCIATION v. FTC, No. 1:17-cv-00150 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Soundboard Association

Assigned Attorneys: Bradley Grossman (OGC)
Leslie Melman
Michele Arington

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory judgment, challenging an FTC staff opinion letter advising that the TSR's restrictions on "prerecorded messages" apply to soundboard technology.

Status: Complaint filed 1/23/17.
Motion for preliminary injunction by Soundboard Association filed 1/24/17; Commission's opposition filed 2/17/17; reply filed 2/24/17.
Hearing held 3/3/17.

AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS or PARTIAL INTERVENTIONS

AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. v. MOMENTA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. No. 16-2113 (1st Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: Imad Abyad (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action alleging that defendants deceived a private standard setting organization into adopting a pharmaceutical testing standard without revealing that they held a patent covering the standard.

Status: Brief of the Federal Trade Commission as amicus curiae urging reversal of the district court's decision to dismiss the complaint on *Noerr-Pennington* grounds filed 11/7/16.
Oral argument heard 2/9/17.
Order reversing district court decision to dismiss complaint and remanding to district court for further proceedings entered 3/6/17.

IN RE EFFEXOR XR ANTITRUST LITIGATION, Nos. 15-1184, 15-1185, 15-1186, 15-1187, 15-1274, 15-1323, 15-1342 (3d Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action raising the question of whether drug companies' reverse-payment agreement was shielded from antitrust scrutiny on the basis of

FTC inaction and patent court's entry of stipulated judgment.

Status: Brief of the Federal Trade Commission as amicus curiae supporting plaintiffs-appellants filed 11/17/15.
Answering brief of appellee drug companies filed 2/16/16.
Commission's supplemental amicus brief filed 3/17/16.
Oral argument on issue of jurisdiction heard 9/27/16.

MORAN v. THE SCREENING PROS, No. 12-57246 (9th Cir.)

Assigned Attorney: Jack Metzler (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action involving a Fair Credit Reporting Act provision limiting the time period for listing misdemeanors on a report.

Status: Brief of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and the Federal Trade Commission as amici curiae filed in support of plaintiff's Section 605(a) claim filed 10/7/13.
Oral argument heard 2/2/15.
Order holding case in abeyance pending resolution of state court proceedings entered 1/13/16.

SMITHKLINE BEECHAM CORPORATION V. KING DRUG CO. OF FLORENCE, No. 15-1055 (S.Ct.)

Assigned Attorney: Mark Hegedus (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action addressing the question of whether reverse-payment agreements are immune from antitrust scrutiny if the consideration given by the brand-name manufacturer to the generic challenger is not a cash payment, but rather a promise to restrict its competition with the challenger after the challenger enters the market.

Status: Brief of the Federal Trade Commission as amicus curiae filed 10/3/16.
Petition for certiorari denied 11/7/16.

TELADOC v. TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD, No. 16-50017 (5th Cir.)

Assigned Attorney: Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of action: Private action alleging that rules adopted by state professional board violate antitrust laws.

Status: Brief of the Federal Trade Commission as amicus curiae urging appeals court to dismiss the appeal for lack of jurisdiction, or to affirm the district court's decision that the challenged conduct is not shielded

from federal antitrust scrutiny by the "state action" doctrine, filed 9/9/16.
Order dismissing appeal entered 10/17/16.

VISA v. OSBORN, No. 15-0961 (S. Ct.); ***VISA v. STOUMBOS,*** No. 15-0962 15 (S. Ct.)

Assigned Attorney: Brad Grossman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private actions addressing the questions of whether allegations that two associations of competing banks adopted written rules governing fees that the banks charge in their separate businesses suffice to plead concerted action subject to antitrust scrutiny under Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. 1.

Status: Brief of the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission as amici curiae filed 10/24/16.
Order dismissing writs of certiorari entered 11/17/16.

IN RE WELLBUTRIN XL ANTITRUST LITIGATION, Nos. 15-3559, 15-3591, 15-3681, 15-3682 (3d Cir.)

Assigned Attorney: Mark Hegedus (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action alleging anticompetitive reverse-payment agreement between brand-name drug manufacturer and a generic drug company.

Status: Brief of the Federal Trade Commission as amicus curiae in support of neither party, urging appeals court to correct legal errors in district court's antitrust analysis, filed 3/11/16.
Oral argument heard 9/7/16.

WOODMAN'S FOOD MARKET, INC. v. CLOROX CO., No. 16-914 (S. Ct.); No. 15-3001 (7th Cir.)

Assigned Attorney: Brad Grossman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action raising question of whether large package sizes are a promotional service under Section 2(e) of the Robinson-Patman Act.

Status: Brief of the Federal Trade Commission arguing reversal of district court's summary judgment ruling filed 11/2/15.
Oral argument heard 2/12/16.
Opinion reversing district court entered 8/12/16.
Petition for certiorari filed 12/27/16.
Petition for certiorari denied 2/27/17.