# File a Consumer Complaint

# **State Agencies:**

## Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation

Ten Park Plaza, Suite 5170

Boston, MA 02116

Consumer Hotline: (617) 973-8787 or (888) 283-3757 toll free (MA only)

Use our Question / Complaint Form to submit inquiries online.

The Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation is committed to protecting consumers through consumer advocacy and education. We also work to ensure that the businesses our agencies regulate treat all Massachusetts consumers fairly. The Division of Banks, Division of Insurance, Division of Professional Licensure, Division of Standards, State Racing Commission, and the Department of Telecommunication and Cable all fall under the OCABR umbrella and help us to fulfill our critical mission of building better businesses and smarter consumers.

# **Division of Professional Licensure (DPL)**

1000 Washington Street, Suite 710 Boston, Massachusetts 02118-6100 Detailed DPL Contact Information

Phone: (617) 727-3074 Fax: (617) 727-1944

Consumer Line: (617) 727-7406 Website: <a href="www.mass.gov/dpl">www.mass.gov/dpl</a> Complaint about a Licensee

The Division of Professional Licensure is responsible for licensing and regulating the activities of more than 330,000 individuals, corporations and partnerships. DPL also enforces the statutes and regulations of the boards of registration.

# **Department of Telecommunications and Cable (DTC)**

1000 Washington Street, Suite 820 Boston, Massachusetts 02118-6500

Phone: (617) 305-3580 Fax: (617) 478-2591

Consumer Line: (617) 305-3531 or (800) 392-6066 toll free (MA only)

Website: www.mass.gov/dtc

Department of Telecommunications and Cable Consumer Complaint Form

The Department of Telecommunications and Cable regulates telecommunications and cable operators in Massachusetts according to the laws of the Commonwealth and the federal government. Our mission is to support competition in telecommunications and cable services in Massachusetts and to protect the public interest by ensuring that customers of these services are treated consistently with our regulations.

# **Division of Insurance (DOI)**

1000 Washington Street, Suite 810 Boston, Massachusetts 02118-6500 Consumer Line: (617) 521-7777 Website: www.mass.gov/doi

Complaint against an Insurer, Agent or Appraiser

The primary mission of the Division of Insurance is to monitor the solvency of its licensees in order to promote a healthy, responsive and willing marketplace for consumers who purchase insurance products.

#### **Division of Banks (DOB)**

1000 Washington Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02118-6400

Phone: (617) 956-1500

Fax: (617) 956-1599

Consumer Line: (617) 956-1501 or (800) 495-2265 toll free (MA only)

Website: www.mass.gov/dob

File a Complaint with the Division of Banks

The Division of Banks has jurisdiction over Massachusetts state-chartered financial institutions and outof-state financial institutions that have been granted authority to do business in the Commonwealth. By law, the Division is required to examine or regulate the state-chartered financial institutions and facilities to ensure their compliance with state and federal laws and to oversee their safe and sound operation.

# **Division of Standards (DOS)**

One Ashburton Place, Room 1115

Boston, MA 02108 Phone: (617) 727-3480 Fax: (617) 727-5705

Website: <a href="www.mass.gov/standards">www.mass.gov/standards</a>
Division of Standards Complaint Form

The Division of Standards enforces the accuracy of item pricing and price scanners, scales, weights and measures. We also accept complaints against persons or businesses licensed by our office.

# Office of the Attorney General

Commonwealth of Massachusetts One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108 (617) 727-8400

File a Complaint with the Attorney General's Office

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine

200 Harvard Mill Square, Suite 330

Wakefield, MA 01880

Consumer Hotline: (800) 377-0550

File a Complaint against a Physician or Acupuncturist

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine is the state government agency that licenses and regulates physicians in Massachusetts.

# **Federal Agencies:**

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO & FIREARMS

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau

Market Compliance Office
1310 G Street, NW, 4th Floor

Washington, DC 20220
202-927-8140 or toll free at 1-866-927-ALFD (2533)

E-mail: ttbquestions@ttb.treas.gov

#### **CHARITIES**

Federal Trade Commission
Consumer Response Center
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580
Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382)

Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)

TTY: 1-866-653-4261 Online complaint form

**CIVIL RIGHTS** 

Airline Accessibility or Discrimination Aviation Consumer Protection Division, C-75-D US Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E. Washington, DC 20590 Downloadable form

Transportation Security Administration Office of Civil Rights and Liberties (TSA-6)

**External Compliance Division** 

601 S. 12th Street Arlington, VA 22202

Email: TSA.OCR-ExternalCompliance@dhs.gov

Website: TSA's Investigating and Resolving Complaints, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties



# Housing Discrimination

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

Room 5204

451 Seventh Street, SW Washington, DC 20410-2000 Phone: 1-800-669-9777

Online Complaint Form

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Disabilities- Access Violations

**Access Board** 

Office of Compliance and Enforcement

1331 F Street, NW, Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20004-1111

Phone: 1-800-USA-ABLE (1-800-872-2253)

Fax: 202-272-0081

Email: enforce@access-board.gov

Online complaint form

# COMMUNICATIONS

# Telecommunications (includes wireless and wired phones, Internet, television, cable, email, spam, telemarketers, VoIP)

Federal Communications Commission Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau **Consumer Complaints** 

445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Phone: 1-888-CALL-FCC (1-888-225-5322) TTY: 1-888-TELL-FCC (1-888-835-5322)

Fax: 1-866-418-0232 Email: fccinfo@fcc.gov Online complaint form

#### SPAM, online auctions, e-commerce

Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20580

Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)

TTY: 1-866-653-4261 Online complaint form

# **Do Not Call Complaints**

Online complaint form

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

## **Credit Card Complaints**

## **Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)**

Credit card complaint line: (855)-411-CFPB (2372)

Línea de asistencia para su tarjeta de crédito: (855)-411-CFPB (2372)

TTY/TDD: (855)-729-CFPB (2372) Website: <u>www.consumerfinance.gov</u>

File a Credit Card Complaint

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) was established by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. The CFPB conducts rule-making, supervision, and enforcement for federal consumer financial protection laws.

# **Credit Reporting Agencies**

Federal Trade Commission
Consumer Response Center
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580

Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)

TTY: 1-866-653-4261 Online complaint form

#### **Federal Credit Unions**

National Credit Union Administration

Phone: 1-800-755-1030

Email: consumerassistance@ncua.gov

# Federal Savings and Loan

\*On July 21, 2011 supervisory responsibility for federal savings associations transferred to the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Comptroller of the Currency
Customer Assistance Group
1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450
Houston, TX 77010-9050

Phone: 1-800-613-6743 Fax: (713) 336-4301

Email: <u>customer.assistance@occ.treas.gov</u>

Complaint Form [PDF] 🔼

# Investments, Securities, Stocks, Brokers, and Traders

Securities and Exchange Commission

100 F Street, NE

Washington, DC 20549-0213

Fax: 202-772-9295 Online complaint form

#### **National Banks**

Comptroller of the Currency
Customer Assistance Group
1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450

Houston, TX 77010-9050 Phone: 1-800-613-6743 Fax: (713) 336-4301

Email: customer.assistance@occ.treas.gov

Complaint Form [PDF] 🔼

#### **State Chartered Banks**

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection

Consumer Response Center 2345 Grand Boulevard, Suite100

Kansas City, MO 64108

Phone: 1-877-ASK-FDIC (1-877-275-3342)

TTY: 1-800-925-4618

Email: consumeralerts@fdic.gov

Online complaint form

#### All other Financial Institutions

Federal Reserve Board Consumer Help

P.O. Box 1200

Minneapolis, MN 55480 Phone: 1-888-851-1920 TTY: (877) 766-8533 Fax: (877) 888-2520

Email: ConsumerHelp@FederalReserve.gov

**FOOD & HEALTH** 

### **Animals - Adverse Drug Effects**

U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Center for Veterinary Medicine
Adverse Drug Experience Reporting
7500 Standish Place
Reporting AD 20055 2772

Rockville, MD 20855-2773 Phone: 1-888-FDA-VETS

#### **Meat and Poultry**

Food Safety and Inspection Service

Phone: 1-888-674-6854 (1-888-MPHotline)

FSIS doesn't respond via online forms or postal mail.

# **Medical Drugs and Products Sold Online**

U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Office of Regulatory Affairs

To report emails promoting medical products that you think are illegal, forward the email to webcomplaints@ora.fda.gov

Online complaint form

# Medicines, Drugs, Medical Devices, Biologics, Dietary Supplements and Cosmetics

FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program

Office of the Commissioner

Office of Scientific and Medical Programs

5600 Fishers Lane, Room 12B05

Rockville, MD 20857

Online complaint form

#### **Vaccines**

Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System

PO Box 1100

Rockville, MD 20849-1100

Phone: 1-800-822-7967 Fax: 1-877-721-0366 Online complaint form

GOODS & SERVICES

#### **Consumer Products**

Consumer Product Safety Commission

Phone: 1-800-638-2772 TTY: 1-800-638-8270 Online complaint form

# Identity Theft, Manufacturers, Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices

Federal Trade Commission

Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20580

Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)

TTY: 1-866-653-4261 Online complaint form

# Retail stores (brick and mortar)

Federal Trade Commission

Consumer Response Center

600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20580

Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)

TTY: 1-866-653-4261 Online complaint form

**TRANSPORTATION** 

#### Airline Service (not including safety or security)

Aviation Consumer Protection Division, C-75

U.S. Department of Transportation

1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.

Washington, DC 20590

Phone: 202-366-2220 TTY: 202-366-0511 Online complaint form

# **Automobiles - Vehicles, Tires, and Equipment**

U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Office of Defects Investigations/CRD
NVS-216
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Phone: 1 (888) 327-4236 TTY: (800) 424-9153 Fax: (202)366-1767 Online complaint form

# **Automobile Dealers**

Federal Trade Commission
Consumer Response Center
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580
Phone: 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)
TTV: 1-866-653-4261

TTY: 1-866-653-4261 Online complaint form

#### **All Terrain Vehicles**

Consumer Product Safety Commission

Phone: 1-800-638-2772 TTY: 1-800-638-8270 Online complaint form