

## Ensuring Effective Compliance in Lead Generation

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#### What's New?

#### **CFPB Under New Management -Mulvaney Takes Reins**



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#### But, what about prior CFPB Enforcement actions?



- In the Matter of Zero Parallel (Consent Order); and Related Litigation
  - Make reasonable efforts to ensure that leads conveyed to recipients do not result in loans to consumers that are void in whole or in part in the consumer's state of residence based on licensing requirements or interest rate limitations;
  - Obtain and keep information about end users of the company's leads, including copies of licenses required by each state in which the recipient does business if the absence of the license would render a loan void in whole or in part under the laws of the state;
  - Implement a process for reviewing loans resulting from leads the company has conveyed to reasonably ensure compliance with the consent order and federal and state privacy laws;
  - Establish a policy prohibiting lenders to which the company directly or indirectly conveys leads from making consumer loans that are void in whole or in part based on licensing requirements or interest rate limitations in the consumer's state of residence; and
  - Refrain from conveying leads where the company knows or has reason to believe that the leads are likely to result in loans that are void in whole based on licensing or interest rate restrictions in state where consumer resides.



#### What's the FTC up to?



## "Follow the Lead" Workshop

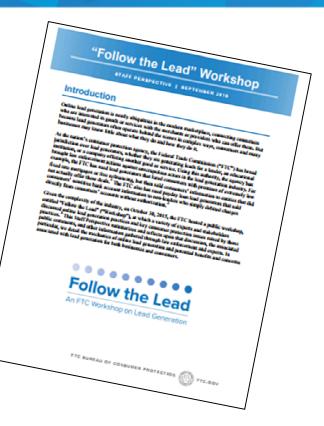
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## FTC Workshop









## Key Workshop Takeaways

- Disclose clearly to consumers who you are and how you will share their information.
- Monitor lead sources for deceptive claims and other warning signs like complaints.
- Vet lead buyers and avoid selling remnant leads to buyers with no legitimate need for sensitive data.
- Keep sensitive data secure.



### FTC's Enforcement Authority

- FTC Act
- Broad jurisdiction
- Section 5
  - Deception
  - > Unfairness
- Rules e.g., TSR, MAP



#### **Deceptive Claims to Consumers**

- Who is making the offer (FTC v. Mallett)
- What is being offered (FTC v. Expand, US v. Consumer Education.info)
- Security of Consumers' Personal Data (FTC v. ValueClick)
- How data would be used (FTC v. Blue Global)



#### •Deceptive Claims to Consumers

- Who can be held liable
  - ✓ Publisher
  - ✓ Affiliate Network
  - ✓ Service Provider

(FTC v. LeanSpa, FTC v. Inbound Call Experts, FTC v. Five Star Auto)



#### •Unfair Sale of Sensitive Data

- Payday Loan Applications (FTC v. Sequoia One, FTC v. Sitesearch)
- Confidential Phone Records (FTC v. Accusearch)
- Debt Portfolios

(FTC v. Cornerstone, FTC v. Bayview Solutions)



#### There's still the classics:

#### **Classics: Telemarketing**



#### Telemarketing Sales Rule, Telephone Consumer Protection Act, FCC Regulations, State Laws

- Do Not Call requirements (company-specific, national and state registries)
- Disclosure requirements: total cost, material restrictions and terms/conditions, no-refund policy, sweepstakes facts and negative option terms
- Specific requirements to obtain express informed consent for certain payment methods
- Prohibits use of prerecorded marketing calls without prior written consent; also requires opt-out mechanism for prerecorded marketing calls

#### Classics: Mobile Marketing/Text Promotions Leads Con

- Under federal law (TCPA), marketer must obtain *express prior written authorization* to send marketing messages.
- How do you make adequate disclosures with limited space available?
  - FTC Dot.com Disclosures provide guidance; FTC has issued mobile privacy guidelines
  - State Ags brought enforcement actions, disclosures/format, with other information presented in a minimum font size/color that contrasted with background.
  - Private Class Action





### State Licensing and Compliance



#### Takeaways

#### **Questions and Answers**





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