UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN MILWAUKEE DIVISION

JACQUELINE OLSON, Individually and on) Case No.: 17-cv-1135
Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT
Plaintiff,)
vs.	
	Jury Trial Demanded
MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC. and)
MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC,)
Defendants.	

INTRODUCTION

1. This class action seeks redress for collection practices that violate the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692 *et seq*. (the "FDCPA"), and the Wisconsin Consumer Act, chapter 427, Wisconsin Statutes (the "WCA").

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2. The court has jurisdiction to grant the relief sought by the Plaintiff pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k and 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1337, and 1367. Venue in this District is proper in that Defendant directed its collection efforts into the District.

PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff Jacqueline Olson is an individual who resides in the Eastern District of Wisconsin (Milwaukee County).
- 4. Plaintiff is a "consumer" as defined in the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(3), in that Defendant sought to collect from her a debt allegedly incurred for personal, family or household purposes. Specifically, the alleged debt was a personal credit card account.

- 5. Defendant Midland Credit Management, Inc. ("MCM") is a foreign corporation with its principal place of business located at 3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 103, San Diego, CA 92108.
- 6. MCM is engaged in the business of a collection agency, using the mails and telephone to collect consumer debts originally owed to others.
- 7. MCM is engaged in the business of collecting debts owed to others and incurred for personal, family or household purposes. Midland is a debt collector as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 1692a and Wis. Stat. § 427.103(3).
- 8. Defendant Midland Funding LLC, ("Midland Funding") is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located in California. The Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions lists Midland Funding's address as 3111 Camino Del Rio North, San Diego, CA 92108. Midland Funding's actual address may be MCM's address.
- 9. Midland Funding is engaged in the business of a collection agency, in that it purchases and receives assignment of consumer debts that are in default at the time Midland Funding acquires them. MCM uses the mails and telephone to collect consumer debts originally owed to others and currently held by Midland Funding. Midland Funding, directly or indirectly, is a debt collector under this arrangement. 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6).
- 10. A creditor is a debt collector under the FDCPA if "in the process of collecting his own debts, [the creditor] uses any name other than his own which would indicate that a third person is collecting or attempting to collect such debts." *Nielsen v. Dickerson*, 307 F.3d 623, 634 (7th Cir. 2002) (quoting 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6)).
- 11. A creditor is a debt collector under the plain language of the WCA, which does not distinguish between creditors and third-party debt collectors. Wis. Stat. § 427.103(3).

- 12. Midland Funding acts under the name of third party debt collectors, including MCM, to collect its debts.
- 13. A company meeting the definition of a "debt collector" (here, Midland Funding) is vicariously liable for the actions of a second company collecting debts on its behalf. *Janetos v. Fulton Friedman & Gullace, LLP*, 825 F.3d 317, 325-26 (7th Cir. 2016) (assignees who are "debt collectors" are responsible for the actions of those collecting on their behalf); *citing Pollice*, 225 F.3d at 404-05.

FACTS

- 14. Plaintiff entered into several consumer transactions with Comenity Bank ("Comenity") arising from personal "store brand" credit card accounts with the following stores: Woman Within; King Size; Brylane; and Roamans.
 - 15. Prior to October 7, 2016, Plaintiff's accounts with Comenity went into default.
- 16. Prior to October 7, 2016, and after Plaintiff's accounts with Comenity were in default, Comenity sold or otherwise assigned the ownership rights to Plaintiff's accounts to Midland Funding.
- 17. On or about October 7, 2016, MCM mailed four debt collection letters to Plaintiff regarding four, separate alleged debts, allegedly owed to Midland Funding and originally owed to Comenity. Copies of these letters are attached to this complaint as Exhibits A-D.
- 18. The alleged debts identified in <u>Exhibits A-D</u> were for personal credit card accounts used only for personal, family or household purposes.
- 19. Upon information and belief, <u>Exhibits A-D</u> are form letters, generated by computer, and with the information specific to Plaintiff's accounts inserted by computer.

- 20. Upon information and belief, <u>Exhibits A-D</u> are form debt collection letters used by Midland Funding through MCM to attempt to collect alleged debts.
 - 21. <u>Exhibits A-D</u> contain bold, all-capitalized text at the top of the letters:

NOTICE OF NEW OWNERSHIP AND PRE-LEGAL REVIEW

22. Exhibits A-D also contain the following:

Midland Credit Management, Inc. is considering forwarding this account to an attorney in your state for possible litigation. However, such forwarding will not occur until after the expiration of the validation period described on the back of this letter. Upon receipt of this notice, please call to discuss your options.

If we don't hear from you or receive payment by 11-21-2016, we may proceed with forwarding this account to an attorney.

23. Exhibits A-D also state the following:

> This may be your last chance to work with us before the account goes to an attorney.

24. Exhibits A-D also contain the following:

LET US HELP YOU! If the account goes to an attorney, our flexible options may no longer be available to you. There still is an opportunity to make arrangements with us. **We encourage you to call us: (800) 939-2353.**

- 25. The above language in <u>Exhibits A-D</u> is false, misleading and confusing to the unsophisticated consumer.
- 26. At the time Exhibits A-D were sent to Plaintiff, neither Midland Funding nor MCM intended to sue Plaintiff, even if no payments were made on the account by 11-21-2016.

- 27. Despite the clear language threatening to send the account to "an attorney in your state . . . if we don't hear from you or receive payment by 11-21-2016," neither Midland Funding nor MCM filed a lawsuit against Plaintiff.
 - 28. In fact, Plaintiff's accounts were not forwarded to an attorney network.
- 29. Rather, on or about February 24, 2017, MCM mailed four debt collection letters to Plaintiff regarding four, separate alleged debts, allegedly owed to Midland Funding and originally owed to Comenity. Copies of these letters are attached to this complaint as <u>Exhibits E-H</u>.
- 30. The alleged debts identified in <u>Exhibits E-H</u> are the same alleged debts identified in Exhibits A-D.
- 31. Upon information and belief, <u>Exhibits E-H</u> are form letters, generated by computer, and with the information specific to Plaintiff's accounts inserted by computer.
- 32. Upon information and belief, <u>Exhibits E-H</u> are form debt collection letters used by Midland Funding through MCM to attempt to collect alleged debts.
 - 33. <u>Exhibits E-H</u> contain bold, all-capitalized text at the top of the letters:

PRE-LEGAL NOTIFICATION

34. <u>Exhibits E-H</u> also contain a set-off text box, with bold text:

Please Call

Get rid of this debt and get on with your life.

This account may be forwarded to an attorney in your state.

35. <u>Exhibits E-H</u> also contain the following:

Midland Credit Management, Inc. has made several attempts to contact you regarding this account. This letter is to inform you that we are considering forwarding this account to an attorney in your state for possible litigation. Upon receipt of this notice, please call (800) 939-2353 to discuss your options.

If we don't hear from you or receive payment by 03-11-2017, we may proceed with forwarding this account to an attorney.

36. Exhibits E-H also contain the following:

LET US HELP YOU! If the account goes to an attorney, our flexible options may no longer be available to you. There still is an opportunity to make arrangements with us. **We encourage you to call us:** (800) 939-2353.

- 37. The above language in <u>Exhibits E-H</u> is false, misleading and confusing to the unsophisticated consumer.
- 38. At the time <u>Exhibits E-H</u> were sent to Plaintiff, neither Midland Funding nor MCM intended to sue Plaintiff, even if no payments were made on the account by 03-11-2017.
- 39. Despite the clear language threatening to send the account to "an attorney in your state . . . if we don't hear from you or receive payment by 03-11-2017," neither Midland Funding nor MCM filed a lawsuit against Plaintiff.
- 40. A search of CCAP shows no civil actions filed by Midland Funding or MCM against Plaintiff in Wisconsin since 2005.
- 41. Exhibits A-H do not attempt to collect any debt included in the 2005 action. Moreover, CCAP indicates that the judgment in the 2005 action has been fully satisfied. http://tinyurl.com/ybybr5ow.
- 42. An unsophisticated consumer would understand that <u>Exhibits A-D</u> threaten a lawsuit, and/or imply that legal action will be taken unless payment or a phone call is made by 11-21-2016 and that <u>Exhibits E-H</u> threaten a lawsuit, and/or imply that legal action will be taken unless payment or a phone call is made by 03-11-2017.

- 43. Debt collection letters that falsely "communicate that a lawsuit is not merely a possibility, but that a decision to pursue legal action is either imminent or has already been made," violate the FDCPA. 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(5); *Jenkins v. Union Corp.*, 999 F. Supp. 1120, 1136 (N.D. Ill. 1998); *Pipiles v. Credit Bureau of Lockport, Inc.*, 886 F.2d 22, 24-26 (2d Cir. 1989).
- 44. Even indirect or oblique threats give rise to liability, provided they indicate that "legal action is underway or contemplated in the near future." *Jenkins*, 999 F. Supp. At 1136.
- 45. The unsophisticated consumer would interpret the "pre-legal" status and the statements that "if we don't hear from you or receive payment by 11-21-2016 [or 03-11-2017], we may proceed with forwarding this account to an attorney" as threats that the accounts are on a litigation track.
- 46. The threat of litigation in Midland's letter is false and misleading and exists only to unfairly scare consumers.
 - 47. Plaintiff was confused by Exhibits A-H.
 - 48. The unsophisticated consumer would be confused by Exhibits A-H.
 - 49. Plaintiff had to spend time and money investigating Exhibits A- H.
- 50. Plaintiff had to take time to obtain and meet with counsel, including traveling to counsel's office by car and its related expenses, including but not limited to the cost of gasoline and mileage, to advise Plaintiff on the consequences of Exhibits A-H.

The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692, et seq.

51. The FDCPA states that its purpose, in part, is "to eliminate abusive debt collection practices by debt collectors." 15 U.S.C. § 1692(e). It is designed to protect consumers from unscrupulous collectors, whether or not there is a valid debt. *Mace v. Van Ru*

Credit Corp., 109 F.3d 338 (7th Cir. 1997); Baker v. G.C. Services Corp., 677 F.2d 775, 777 (9th Cir. 1982); McCartney v. First City Bank, 970 F.2d 45, 47 (5th Cir. 1992). The FDCPA broadly prohibits unfair or unconscionable collection methods; conduct which harasses, oppresses or abuses any debtor; and any false, deceptive or misleading statements in connection with the collection of a debt; it also requires debt collectors to give debtors certain information. 15 U.S.C. §§ 1692d, 1692e, 1692f and 1692g.

- 52. The Seventh Circuit has held that whether a debt collector's conduct violates the FDCPA should be judged from the standpoint of an "unsophisticated consumer." *Avila v. Rubin,* 84 F.3d 222, 227 (7th Cir. 1996); *Gammon v. GC Services, LP,* 27 F.3d 1254, 1257 (7th Cir. 1994). The standard is an objective one—whether the plaintiffs or any class members were misled is not an element of a cause of action. *Bartlett v. Heibl,* 128 F.3d 497, 499 (7th Cir. 1997). "The question is not whether these plaintiffs were deceived or misled, but rather whether an unsophisticated consumer would have been misled." *Beattie v. D.M. Collections Inc.,* 754 F. Supp. 383, 392 (D. Del. 1991).
- 53. Because it is part of the Consumer Credit Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1601 *et seq.*, the FDCPA should be liberally construed in favor of the consumer to effectuate its purposes. *Cirkot v. Diversified Fin. Services, Inc.*, 839 F. Supp. 941, 944 (D. Conn. 1993).

The [Consumer Credit Protection] Act is remedial in nature, designed to remedy what Congressional hearings revealed to be unscrupulous and predatory creditor practices throughout the nation. Since the statute is remedial in nature, its terms must be construed in liberal fashion if the underlying Congressional purpose is to be effectuated.

N.C. Freed Co. v. Board of Governors, 473 F.2d 1210, 1214 (2d Cir. 1973).

54. Statutory damages are recoverable for violations, whether or not the consumer proves actual damages. *Baker*, 677 F.2d at 780-1; *Woolfolk v. Van Ru Credit Corp.*, 783 F. Supp. 724, 727 and n. 3 (D. Conn. 1990); *Riveria v. MAB Collections, Inc.*, 682 F. Supp. 174, 177

(W.D.N.Y. 1988); Kuhn v. Account Control Tech., 865 F. Supp. 1443, 1450 (D. Nev. 1994); In re Scrimpsher, 17 B.R. 999, 1016-7 (Bankr. N.D.N.Y. 1982); In re Littles, 90 B.R. 669, 680 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 1988), aff'd as modified sub nom. Crossley v. Lieberman, 90 B.R. 682 (E.D. Pa. 1988), aff'd, 868 F.2d 566 (3d Cir. 1989).

55. The FDCPA creates substantive rights for consumers; violations cause injury to consumers, and such injuries are concrete and particularized. Bock v. Pressler & Pressler, LLP, No. 11-7593, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81058 *21 (D.N.J. May 25, 2017) ("through [s]ection 1692e of the FDCPA, Congress established 'an enforceable right to truthful information concerning' debt collection practices, a decision that 'was undoubtedly influenced by congressional awareness that the intentional provision of misinformation' related to such practices, 'contribute[s] to the number of personal bankruptcies, to marital instability, to the loss of jobs, and to invasions of individual privacy,"); Quinn v. Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC, No. 16 C 2021, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 107299 *8-13 (N.D. Ill. Aug. 11, 2016) (rejecting challenge to Plaintiff's standing based upon alleged FDCPA statutory violation); Lane v. Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, No. 15 C 10446, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 89258 *9-10 (N.D. Ill. July 11, 2016) ("When a federal statute is violated, and especially when Congress has created a cause of action for its violation, by definition Congress has created a legally protected interest that it deems important enough for a lawsuit."); Church v. Accretive Health, Inc., No. 15-15708, 2016 U.S. App. LEXIS 12414 *7-11 (11th Cir. July 6, 2016) (same); see also Mogg v. Jacobs, No. 15-CV-1142-JPG-DGW, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 33229, 2016 WL 1029396, at *5 (S.D. III. Mar. 15, 2016) ("Congress does have the power to enact statutes creating legal rights, the invasion of which creates standing, even though no injury would exist without the statute," (quoting Sterk v. Redbox Automated Retail, LLC, 770 F.3d 618, 623 (7th Cir. 2014)). For this reason, and to

encourage consumers to bring FDCPA actions, Congress authorized an award of statutory damages for violations. 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(a).

- 56. Moreover, Congress has explicitly described the FDCPA as regulating "abusive practices" in debt collection. 15 U.S.C. §§ 1692(a) 1692(e). Any person who receives a debt collection letter containing a violation of the FDCPA is a victim of abusive practices. *See* 15 U.S.C. §§ 1692(e) ("It is the purpose of this subchapter to eliminate abusive debt collection practices by debt collectors, to insure that those debt collectors who refrain from using abusive debt collection practices are not competitively disadvantaged, and to promote consistent State action to protect consumers against debt collection abuses").
- 57. 15 U.S.C. § 1692e generally prohibits "any false, deceptive, or misleading representation or means in connection with the collection of any debt."
- 58. 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(5) specifically prohibits: "The threat to take any action that cannot legally be taken or that is not intended to be taken."
- 59. 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(10) specifically prohibits the "use of any false representation or deceptive means to collect or attempt to collect any debt."
- 60. 15 U.S.C. § 1692f generally prohibits "unfair or unconscionable means to collect or attempt to collect any debt."

The Wisconsin Consumer Act, Ch. 421-427, Wis. Stats.

- 61. The Wisconsin Consumer Act ("WCA") was enacted to protect consumers against unfair, deceptive, and unconscionable business practices and to encourage development of fair and economically sound practices in consumer transactions. Wis. Stat. § 421.102(2).
- 62. The Wisconsin Supreme Court has favorably cited authority finding that the WCA "goes further to protect consumer interests than any other such legislation in the country,"

and is "probably the most sweeping consumer credit legislation yet enacted in any state." *Kett* v. *Community Credit Plan, Inc.*, 228 Wis. 2d 1, 18 n.15, 596 N.W.2d 786 (1999) (citations omitted).

- 63. To further these goals, the Act's protections must be "liberally construed and applied." Wis. Stat. § 421.102(1); see also § 425.301.
- 64. "The basic purpose of the remedies set forth in Chapter 425, Stats., is to induce compliance with the WCA and thereby promote its underlying objectives." *First Wisconsin Nat'l Bank v. Nicolaou*, 113 Wis. 2d 524, 533, 335 N.W.2d 390 (1983). Thus, private actions under the WCA are designed to both benefit consumers whose rights have been violated and also competitors of the violators, whose competitive advantage should not be diminished because of their compliance with the law.
- 65. To carry out this intent, the WCA provides Wisconsin consumers with an array of protections and legal remedies. The Act contains significant and sweeping restrictions on the activities of those attempting to collect debts. *See* Wis. Stats. § 427.104.
- 66. The Act also provides injured consumers with causes of action for class-wide statutory and actual damages and injunctive remedies against defendants on behalf of all customers who suffer similar injuries. *See* Wis. Stats. §§ 426.110(1); § 426.110(4)(e). Finally, "a customer may not waive or agree to forego rights or benefits under [the Act]." Wis. Stat. § 421.106(1).
- 67. Consumers' WCA claims under Wis. Stat. § 427.104(1) are analyzed using the same methods as claims under the FDCPA. Indeed, the WCA itself requires that the court analyze the WCA "in accordance with the policies underlying a federal consumer credit protection act," including the FDCPA. Wis. Stat. § 421.102(1).

- 68. Further, the Wisconsin Supreme Court has held that WCA claims relating to debt collection are to be analyzed under the "unsophisticated consumer" standard. *Brunton v. Nuvell Credit Corp.*, 785 N.W.2d 302, 314-15. In *Brunton*, the Wisconsin Supreme Court explicitly adopted and followed the "unsophisticated consumer" standard, citing and discussing *Gammon v. GC Servs. Ltd. P'ship*, 27 F.3d 1254, 1257 (7th Cir. 1994). *Id*.
- 69. The WCA specifically allows a person to recover punitive damages "in appropriate cases." Wis. Stat. § 425.301(1); *Gonzales v. Kohn Law Firm, S.C.*, No. 13-CV-168, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 6750*10 (E.D. Wis. Jan. 17, 2014).
- 70. Wis. Stat. § 427.104(1)(h) prohibits: "Engag[ing] in other conduct which can reasonably be expected to threaten or harass the customer or a person related to the customer."
- 71. Wis. Stat. § 427.104(1)(L) prohibits: "Threaten[ing] action against the customer unless like action is taken in regular course or is intended with respect to the particular debt."

COUNT I - FDCPA

- 72. Plaintiff incorporates by reference as if fully set forth herein the allegations contained in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.
 - 73. Count I is brought against Defendant MCM.
- 74. <u>Exhibits A-D</u> falsely threaten to send Plaintiff's account to an attorney and/or threaten a lawsuit against Plaintiff if Plaintiff does not pay or call MCM by 11-21-2016.
- 75. At the time Exhibits A-D were sent, neither MCM nor Midland Funding intended to file a lawsuit against Plaintiff even if Plaintiff did not pay or call by 11-21-2016.
- 76. <u>Exhibits E-H</u> falsely threaten to send Plaintiff's account to an attorney and/or threaten a lawsuit against Plaintiff if Plaintiff does not pay or call MCM by 03-11-2017.

- 77. At the time Exhibits A-D were sent, neither MCM nor Midland Funding intended to file a lawsuit against Plaintiff even if Plaintiff did not pay or call by 03-11-2017.
- 78. Defendants' conduct violates 15 U.S.C. §§ 1692e, 1692e(5), 1692e(10), and 1692f.

COUNT II – WCA

- 79. Plaintiff incorporates by reference as if fully set forth herein the allegations contained in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.
 - 80. Count II is brought against both Defendants.
- 81. <u>Exhibits A-D</u> threaten and imply legal action notwithstanding the fact that Midland did not intend to forward the letter to an attorney network even if Plaintiff did not pay or call by 11-21-2016.
- 82. <u>Exhibits E-H</u> threaten and imply legal action notwithstanding the fact that Midland did not intend to forward the letter to an attorney network even if Plaintiff did not pay or call by 03-11-2017.
 - 83. Such conduct violates Wis. Stat. §§ 427.104(1)(L) and 427.104(1)(h).

CLASS ALLEGATIONS

84. Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of a Class consisting of (a) all natural persons in the State of Wisconsin (b) who were sent a collection letter in the form(s) represented by Exhibits A, B, C or D to the complaint in this action, (c) seeking to collect debt(s) incurred for personal, family or household purposes, (d) and who were subsequently sent collection letters in the form(s) represented by Exhibits E, F, G, or H, for the same debt(s) (e) and which debts Midland did not send to an attorney licensed to practice in Wisconsin, (f) between August 17, 2016 and August 17, 2017, inclusive (g) that were not returned by the postal service.

85. The Class is so numerous that joinder is impracticable. On information and

belief, there are more than 50 members of the Class.

86. There are questions of law and fact common to the members of the class, which

common questions predominate over any questions that affect only individual class members.

The predominant common question is whether Exhibits A-H violate the FDCPA and/or WCA.

87. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Class members. All are based on

the same factual and legal theories.

88. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent the interests of the Class members.

Plaintiff has retained counsel experienced in consumer credit and debt collection abuse cases.

89. A class action is superior to other alternative methods of adjudicating this dispute.

Individual cases are not economically feasible.

JURY DEMAND

90. Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests that the Court enter judgment in favor of Plaintiff and the Class and against Defendants for:

(a) actual damages;

(b) statutory damages;

(c) attorneys' fees, litigation expenses and costs of suit; and

(d) such other or further relief as the Court deems proper.

Dated: August 17, 2017

ADEMI & O'REILLY, LLP

By: /s/ John D. Blythin

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EXHIBIT A



2365 Northside Drive, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92108

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Original Creditor	
	Comenity
Original Account Nur	nber
	5328
MCM Account Number	<u>}</u> r
	1311
Current Balance	
	\$2,499.81
Current Owner	
	MIDLAND FUNDING LLC
PAYMENT DUE DAT	25 44 04 0046

Call (800) 939-2353

NOTICE OF NEW OWNERSHIP AND PRE-LEGAL REVIEW

Dear Jacqueline,

On 08-31-2016, your Comenity / Woman Within account was sold to MIDLAND FUNDING LLC, which is now the sole owner of this debt. Midland Credit Management, Inc. ("MCM"), a debt collection company, will be collecting on, and servicing your account, on behalf of MIDLAND FUNDING LLC.

Midland Credit Management, Inc. is considering forwarding this account to an attorney in your state for possible litigation. However, such forwarding will not occur until after the expiration of the validation period described on the back of this letter. Upon receipt of this notice, please call to discuss your options.

If we don't hear from you or receive payment by 11-21-2016, we may proceed with forwarding this account to an attorney.

What are some options you can do to stop this process from continuing? In addition to the validation period described on the back of this letter, you can:

- 1) Mail in \$500.00, or
- 2) Call us to see how to qualify for discounts and payment plans.

LET US HELP YOU! If the account goes to an attorney, our flexible options may no longer be available to you. There still is an opportunity to make arrangements with us. **We encourage you to call us: (800) 939-2353.**

Sincerely,
Tim Bolin,
Tim Bolin, Division Manager

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(800) 939-2353

This account may still be reported on your credit report as unpaid.

We will not report your debt to the credit bureaus if you set up a payment plan, make a payment by 01-07-2017 and make all payments as agreed.

BENEFITS OF PAYING

- > This may be your last chance to work with us before the account goes to an attorney.
- Get rid of this debt and get on with your life.

Once your account is paid:

> All collection calls and letters on this account will stop!

> CALL US! (800) 939-2353

Please understand this is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

Calls to and/or from this company may be monitored or recorded.

The records associated with the Comenity account purchased by MIDLAND FUNDING LLC, reflect that you are obligated on his account, which is in default.

As the owner of this account, but subject to the rights described below, MIDLAND FUNDING LLC is entitled to payment of his account. All communication regarding this account should be addressed to MCM and not the previous owner.

Jnless you notify MCM within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice that you dispute the validity of the debt, or any portion thereof, MCM will assume this debt to be valid.

If you notify MCM, in writing, within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice that the debt, or any portion thereof, is disputed, MCM will obtain verification of the debt or a copy of a judgment (if there is a judgment) and MCM will mail you a copy of such rerification or judgment.

f you request, in writing, within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice, MCM will provide you with the name and address of the original creditor.

f an attorney represents you with regard to this debt, please refer this letter to your attorney. Likewise, if you are involved in an active bankruptcy case, or if this debt has been discharged in a bankruptcy case, please refer this letter to your pankruptcy attorney so that we may be notified.

Please remember, even if you make a payment within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice, you still have the remainder of the thirty (30) days to exercise the rights described above.

'ou are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting igency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations.

RETAIN THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS INFORMATION FOR YOUR RECORDS:

communications concerning disputed debts, including an instrument tendered as full satisfaction of a debt, are to be sent to: 2365 Northside Drive, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92108; Attn: Consumer Support Services.

MAIL PAYMENTS TO: P.O. Box 60578, Los Angeles, CA 90060-0578

MAIL CORRESPONDENCE BUT NO PAYMENTS TO: 2365 Northside Drive, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92108

MAIL CREDIT REPORTING CORRESPONDENCE TO: MCM CREDIT REPORTING DEPARTMENT, 2365 Northside Drive, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92108

Ve are required under state law to notify consumers of the following rights. This list does not contain a complete ist of the rights consumers have under state and federal law:

F YOU LIVE IN COLORADO, THIS APPLIES TO YOU:

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE COLORADO FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, SEE WWW.COAG.GOV/CAR

\ consumer has the right to request in writing that a debt collector or collection agency cease further communication with the consumer. A written request to cease communication will not prohibit the debt collector or collection agency from taking any other action authorized by law to collect the debt.

Aidland Credit Management has a Colorado office with the following address and telephone number: Building B, 80 Garden Lenter, Suite 3, Broomfield, CO 80020. Telephone number: (303) 920-4763.

Only physical in-person payments may be accepted at this office location. All payments made via mail should be sent to the following address: P.O. Box 60578, Los Angeles, CA 90060-0578

F YOU LIVE IN MASSACHUSETTS, THIS APPLIES TO YOU:

NOTICE OF IMPORTANT RIGHTS: You have the right to make a written or oral request that telephone calls regarding your lebt not be made to you at your place of employment. Any such oral request will be valid for only ten (10) days unless you provide written confirmation of the request postmarked or delivered within seven (7) days of such request. You may terminate his request by writing to Midland Credit Management, Inc.

F YOU LIVE IN MINNESOTA, THIS APPLIES TO YOU:

This collection agency is licensed by the Minnesota Dept. of Commerce.

F YOU LIVE IN NEW YORK CITY, THIS APPLIES TO YOU:

Jew York City Department of Consumer Affairs License Number 1140603, 1207829, 1207820, 1227728, 2022587, 2023151, :023152, 2027429, 2027430, 2027431

F YOU LIVE IN NORTH CAROLINA, THIS APPLIES TO YOU:

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2365 Northside Drive, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92108

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,	8946
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Current Balance	
	\$2,355.67
Current Owner	
	MIDLAND FUNDING LLC

Call (800) 939-2353

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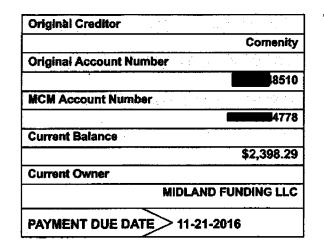
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	Comenity
Original Account Nu	ımber
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MCM Account Numb	oer .
	5366
Current Balance	
	\$1,574.80
Current Owner	
	MIDLAND FUNDING LLC

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PRE-LEGAL NOTIFICATION

Midland Credit 2365 Northside Drive Suite 300

San Diego, CA 92108

02-24-2017

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Account Details

Original Creditor **Original Account Number Current Servicer**

MCM Account Number Current Owner Current Balance

Comenity

5328

Midland Credit Management, Inc.

1311

Midland Funding LLC \$2,499.81

Call (800) 939-2353 by 03-11-2017 to **Discuss Options**

Please Call

Get rid of this debt and get on with your life.

This account may be forwarded to an attorney in your state.

Once your account is paid:

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Reply By 03-11-2017

Call (800) 939-2353

Sun-Th: 5am-9pm PT: Fri-Sat: 5am-4:30pm PT;

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Some Possible Options:

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For your reference:

Charge-Off Balance \$2,499.81.

Your Account Number at Charge-off was \$328. The Creditor at Charge-off was COMENITY.

Sincerely.

Tim Bolin

Tim Bolin, Division Manager

You may request the following information by writing us at 2365 Northside Drive Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92108 and the same will be provided within 30 days of receipt of your request: 1) An account statement or complete transactional history, as applicable, reflecting your name, the last four digits of the account number at the time of charge-off, and the charge-off balance and/or claimed balance, excluding any post charge off payments; 2) A listing of all prior owners of this account and transfer information; 3) Documentation evidencing the transfer of ownership of the account to Midland Funding; 4) An account statement or complete transactional history reflecting purchase, payment or other actual use of the account or a signed document reflecting the opening of the account at issue; 5) an explanation of how any amount we are seeking to collect in excess of charge-off was calculated; and 6) if applicable, the terms and conditions applicable to the account.





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We are not obligated to renew any offers provided.



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Reply By 03-11-2017

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We are not obligated to renew any offers provided.



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Original Creditor	Comenity		MCM Account Num	ber	8573551436
Original Account Number	18932894	46	Charge-Off Date		07-12-2016
Current Creditor The sole owner of this debt	Midland	Funding LLC	Current Servicer		Midland Credit Management, Inc.
Send Payments to: Midland Credit Management, Inc. P.O. Box 60578 Los Angeles, CA 90060-0578 Midland Credit Management, Inc. P.O. Box 60578 Suite 300 San Diego, CA 92108		39-2353 or write to:	80 (Suit Bro	rsical Payments for Colorado Residents: Garden Center te 3 comfield, CO 80020 one (303) 920-4763	

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Exhibit G

PRE-LEGAL NOTIFICATION

Midland Credit 2365 Northside Drive Suite 300

San Diego, CA 92108

02-24-2017

P3T103 001



Jacqueline Olson 3701 S Alabama Ave Milwaukee, WI 53207-4004

Account Details

Original Creditor Original Account Number

Current Servicer **MCM Account Number**

Current Owner Current Balance Comenity

Midland Credit Management, Inc.

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Midland Funding LLC \$2,398.29

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Charge-Off Balance \$2,398.29.

Your Account Number at Charge-off was \$3510. The Creditor at Charge-off was COMENITY.

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Original Account Number	4006485:	10	Charge-Off Date		07-17-2016
Current Creditor The sole owner of this debt	Midland I	Funding LLC	Current Servicer		Midland Credit Management, Inc.
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Account Details

Original Creditor Original Account Number Current Services MCM Account Number **Current Owner Current Balance**

Comenity 2188 Midland Credit Management, Inc. 5366

Midland Funding LLC \$1,574.80

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Eastern District of Wisconsin

JACQUELINE (OLSON)	
Plaintiff)	
v.)	Civil Action No. 17-cv-1135
MIDLAND CREDIT MANA MIDLAND FUND)	
Defendani)	
	SUMMONS II	N A CI	VIL ACTION
To: (Defendant's name and address)	MIDLAND CREDIT MAN c/o CORPORATION SERV 8040 EXCELSIOR DRIVE SUITE 400 MADISON, WI 53717	VICE CO	
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			CLERK OF COURT
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Civil Action No. 17-cv-1135

PROOF OF SERVICE

(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 (l))

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	☐ Other (specify):				
	My fees are \$	for travel and \$	for services, for a total of \$	0.00	
	I declare under penalty	of perjury that this information i	s true.		
Date:					
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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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Place an X in the appropriate Box:

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS JACQUELINE OLSON (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)			DEFENDANTS MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC., et al. County of Residence of First Listed Defendant (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE LAND INVOLVED.			
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August 17, 2017	<u> </u>					
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY						

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

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- (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- **II. Jurisdiction**. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- **IV. Nature of Suit.** Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerks in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.

Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment. (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity. Example:

U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553

Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service

VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

Demand. In this space enter the dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) being demanded or indicate other demand such as a preliminary injunction.

Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

ClassAction.org

This complaint is part of ClassAction.org's searchable class action lawsuit database and can be found in this post: <u>Debt Collectors Hit with Lawsuit Over 'False' Threats</u>