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Grand Rapids, MI (July 31, 2012) – The following statistics are provided courtesy of WebRecon LLC.

FDCPA and Other Consumer Lawsuit Statistics, July 1-15, 2012

Quick analysis: FDCPA litigation continues its slow decline from 2011’s record numbers, while FCRA and TCPA stay on track for strong YTD growth, though the actual YTD growth rates for both of them appear to be moderating as the year goes on.

Comparisons:	Current Period	Previous Period		Previous Year Comp	
	<i>July 1 - 15, 2012</i>	<i>June 16 - 30, 2012</i>		<i>July 1 - 15, 2011</i>	
FDCPA lawsuits	417	464	-10.1%	462	-9.7%
FCRA lawsuits	71	70	1.4%	70	1.4%
TCPA lawsuits	37	43	-14.0%	16	131.3%
YTD FDCPA lawsuits	6138			6597	-7.0%
YTD FCRA lawsuits	1265			762	66.0%
YTD TCPA lawsuits	569			391	45.5%

Full Statistics:

There were about 481 lawsuits filed under consumer statutes in the first half of July 2012. Here is an approximate breakdown:

- 417 FDCPA
- 71 FCRA
- 37 TCPA

Summary:

- Of those cases, there were about 512 unique plaintiffs (including multiple plaintiffs in one suit).
- Of those plaintiffs, about 195, or 39%, had sued under consumer statutes before.
- Combined, those plaintiffs have filed about 1156 lawsuits since 2001
- Actions were filed in 115 different US District Court branches.
- About 514 different collection firms and creditors were sued.

The top courts where lawsuits were filed:

- 35 Lawsuits: New York Eastern District Court - Brooklyn
- 26 Lawsuits: Illinois Northern District Court - Chicago
- 25 Lawsuits: Colorado District Court - Denver

- 25 Lawsuits: Pennsylvania Eastern District Court - Philadelphia
- 20 Lawsuits: California Central District Court - Western Division - Los Angeles
- 18 Lawsuits: Minnesota District Court - Dmn
- 11 Lawsuits: Nevada District Court - Las Vegas
- 11 Lawsuits: Michigan Eastern District Court - Detroit
- 10 Lawsuits: Georgia Northern District Court - Atlanta
- 10 Lawsuits: California Southern District Court - San Diego

The most active consumer attorneys were:

- Representing 15 Consumers: Sergei Lemberg
- Representing 14 Consumers: David M Larson
- Representing 10 Consumers: Dennis R Kurz
- Representing 10 Consumers: David J Philipps
- Representing 10 Consumers: Hashim Rahman
- Representing 10 Consumers: Adam Jon Fishbein
- Representing 10 Consumers: Mark H Rephen
- Representing 7 Consumers: David Wynn Miller
- Representing 7 Consumers: Alex D Weisberg
- Representing 7 Consumers: Gary D Nitzkin

Statistics Year to Date:

6931 total lawsuits for 2012, including:

- 6138 FDCPA
- 1265 FCRA
- 569 TCPA

Number of Unique Plaintiffs: 7048 (including multiple plaintiffs in one suit)

The most active consumer attorneys of the year:

- Representing 177 Consumers: David M Larson
- Representing 171 Consumers: Sergei Lemberg
- Representing 166 Consumers: Craig T Kimmel
- Representing 111 Consumers: David J Philipps
- Representing 106 Consumers: Dennis R Kurz

About WebRecon LLC, The Bureau of Litigant Data: Creditors and collection firms use WebRecon's services to segregate predictably litigious consumers from their databases. A significant percentage of consumer litigation is initiated by the same consumers over and over again, and screening them out of the general population can reduce lawsuits significantly. For more information on our consumer litigant batching, monitoring and searching service, please visit www.webrecon.com or call (616) 682-5327.

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