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AFTER HOURS WORKSHOP DISCUSSES DEBT COLLECTION

Columbia, SC.....The South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs will present “Debt Collection: What Consumers Need To Know,” as part of its monthly After Hours series. The discussion is designed to inform consumers about debt collection and help protect them against dishonest debt collectors. **The seminar will be held on Tuesday, October 16 at 5:45 p.m. on the 1st floor of the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs located at 3600 Forest Drive in Columbia.**

With consumer debt being at an all time high, debt collectors are targeting more and more consumers across the country. South Carolina is no exception. “Month after month, year after year, debt collection ranks in the top three types of complaints that the Department receives,” said Donna DeMichael, SCDCA Director of Consumer Services. “Debt Collection: What Consumers Need To Know” will explain the limitations of debt collectors and how to avoid deceptive practices. “These consumers need to know what debt collectors can and cannot do and learn what rights exist under state and federal law to protect consumers,” said SCDCA staff attorney Carri Grube-Lybarker.

For more information, contact the Public Information Division at 803.734.4190, toll free in SC at 1.800.922.1594, or online at www.sconsumer.gov.

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About the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs:

Established by the Consumer Protection code in 1974, The South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs represents the interests of South Carolina Consumers.

Our mission is to protect consumers from inequities in the marketplace through advocacy, mediation, enforcement and education.

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