

It is ordered, That the aforesaid motion be, and it hereby is, denied with respect to both requests.

IN THE MATTER OF
G C SERVICES CORPORATION, ET AL.
CONSENT ORDER, ETC., IN REGARD TO THE ALLEGED VIOLATION
OF THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT

Docket C-2511. Complaint, Apr. 16, 1974—Decision, Apr. 16, 1974

Consent order requiring a Houston, Tex., collection agency, among other things to cease using printed material which cause harassment, fear or undue embarrassment to alleged debtors receiving them or which simulates legal process; misrepresenting that past due accounts have been referred to an attorney for collection or legal action has been or is about to be instituted; or threatening to contact a debtor's employer or to institute legal processes.

Appearances

For the Commission: *Joseph Hickman.*

For the respondents: *John C. Bagalay,* Houston, Tex.

COMPLAINT

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act, and by virtue of the authority vested in it by said Act, the Federal Trade Commission, having reason to believe that G C Services Corporation, formerly doing business as Gulf Coast Collection Agency, a corporation, and Jerold B. Katz, William A. Inglehart and Martin M. Katz, individually and as officers of said corporation, hereinafter referred to as respondents, have violated the provisions of said Act, and it appearing to the Commission that a proceeding by it in respect thereof would be in the public interest, hereby issues its complaint stating its charges in that respect as follows:

PARAGRAPH 1. Respondent G C Services Corporation formerly doing business as Gulf Coast Collection Agency is a corporation organized, existing, and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas with its principal office and place of business located at 3333 Fannin Street, in the city of Houston, State of Texas.

Respondents Jerold B. Katz, William A. Inglehart and Martin M. Katz are individuals and are officers of the corporate respondent. They formulate, direct, and control the acts and practices hereinafter set forth. Their address is the same as that of the corporate respondent.

PAR. 2. Respondents are now, and for some time last past, have been engaged in the business of collection of delinquent accounts for business

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