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[REDACTED], ME [REDACTED]
To Whom It May Concern, 2-12-02

Please approve the proposed

"Do Not Call" registry.

I pay additional money each month on my phone bill for Caller ID and this angers me because they have the right to remain anonymous. They invade my equipment & domain but they're the ones with rights.

Sincerely,
Barbara Adams



1/29/02

FIC -
Office of the Secretary,

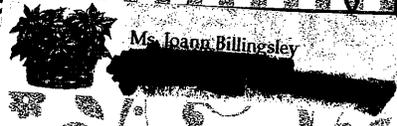
Please, Please, Please pass your
Proposal for Do NOT Call list.

I have been pestered by those
phone calls every day Sat & Sun
included, all days up to 9:30
PM.

ATT called me 3 times in one
day.

Ins Co's, mortgage Co's, Telephone
Co's, Doctors etc, Politicians (at least one)
They are annoying & unwanted

Joanne Billingsley



Ms. Joann Billingsley

[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] PA [REDACTED]

February 5, 2002

FTC
 Office of the Secretary, Room 159
 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
 Washington, D.C. 20580

Dear Regulators:

Thank God! At last! I urge you to go forward with your plans for a national telemarketing do-not-call list. I will be the first in line to sign up.

Telemarketing calls are the bane of my existence. I especially hate it when they hang up before I can get to the phone and they call back and back all day until they get me.

Thank you for your plan, and for the opportunity to voice my opinion.

Sincerely yours,
 Anne M. Bovee
 ANNE M. BOVEE

PA
February 13, 2002

FTC, m i c e of the Secretary
Room 139
600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20580

Re: Telemarketing Rulemaking - Comment, FTC File #R411001

Dear Sir:

PLEASE enact the National Telemarketing Do-Not-Call list! I have been waiting for it law to be passed to stop the relentless harassment we endure every single day. And you need to put some *bite* into it - just passing another law won't help much. There **has** to be a way to track down the boiler rooms and hurt their wallets.

Not only do we get the calls every homeowner is subjected to; because my husband owns his own masonry business, we are hounded by construction-specific sales calls as well. We have been called at 6:00 am. (against the law), at 10:00 p.m. (against the law), three, four, five or more times by people we've told not to call (against the law). I have been cursed at and threatened for hanging up on callers (they called right back - against the law). I have been lied to ("Is Gary there? It's his friend, John, about the money I owe him"). I won't even get into the growing number of telemarketers who continually violate the law forbidding unsolicited faxes. Have I pressed charges? When I threaten to, they laugh. **You can't even find these people, let alone charge them.** I would love to see them sentenced to forty years of ringing telephones, but with our current regulations, how realistic is it that anyone would be caught and penalized?

Don't let these people tell you this is a free speech issue. It is not. It is about the fact that I PAY to have a telephone in my home, for my use and convenience. I have never agreed to allow my telephone to be used as a sales tool. I want this harassment, this intrusion into my home and my life stopped. This proposed new law holds a glimmer of hope. Please don't let them water it down or kill it. **Thank you.**

Sincerely,



Jane F. Britcher



February 12,2002

Office of the Secretary
Room 159
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20580

To Whom It May Concern:

I received your address from a 'STOPPING TELEMARKEETING CALLS'
Special Report written on February 7,2002. I am writing asking to be
removed from the call lists.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this very annoying problem.

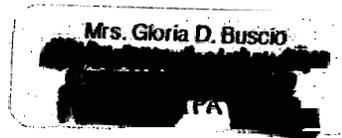
Linda & Gary Browning
Linda and Gary Browning

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AL [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear Sir:

I am in full agreement with the FTC's proposal for a national telemarketing do-not-call list. Everyday I receive 5 + 6 six calls. Some at the most inopportune times of day. I am especially angered by them calling at dinner time and as late as 9 PM. These calls have to be stopped

Thank you
Mrs. Gloria D. Buscio



February 14, 2002

Office of the Secretary
Room **159**
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20580

To the Federal Trade Commission:

In response to your request for public comments about telemarketing (**as** reported in **my** local newspaper), I would like to relate **my** parents' situation.

My father is 87 years old and my mother is 81. I would estimate that more than half, and perhaps **as** much **as** seventy-five percent, of the phone calls they receive are from telemarketers. **My** father is rather spry for his age, but his back and leg problems (partly traceable to his service in World War II at the Battle of the Bulge) often make getting out of bed or up from a chair **difficult**. My mother has Parkinson's disease and is very unstable while walking, often falling. Both of them spend far too much time and effort answering **a** seemingly endless amount of unwanted telephone calls from telemarketers. (These start **as** early **as** eight **in** the morning **and** end **as** late **as** nine in the evening.) We tried a cordless phone for a while, but my mother's shaking hands caused her to accidentally hang up on legitimate calls. We sent my parents' names and telephone number to the Direct Marketing Association to be put on a "do not call" list, but **as** far **as** we can tell, that **has** not diminished the calls.

An especially annoying group of these harassing calls are from what I suspect are those infernal automated machines that dial many numbers at the same time and connect the telemarketer to the first person to answer. Meanwhile, everyone else **has** wasted time running to the phone **or** answering a call that clicks off just after you say, "Hello."

Last week, I answered the phone for my parents on three occasions when MCI called. On Monday, I told the telemarketer to put our name and number on their "do not call" list. On Tuesday, MCI called back. I told them that I **had** already asked not to be called. About four hours later, MCI called again. I **was** annoyed **and** said, "What the hell is wrong with you people; I've asked that we not be called." The MCI telemarketer said, "Oh, is this a bad time to speak with you? I'll call back later." Flabbergasted, I said, "No you won't." He said, "Yes, I will!" I wanted to tell **him** where to shove his phone, but instead I said, "Listen, you're wasting your time because I've put a freeze on our phone **service** and you're not going to get us to switch from ATT." He never said a word. No "**Sorry** for bothering you" or "Good-bye." He just hung up. (I've had other wordless **hang** ups. Some even *slam* the phone down when you tell them that you are not interested.)

Incidentally, the reason I put a freeze on my parents' local and long-distance telephone companies is that a few years ago a telemarketer representing Sprint called

about changing phone companies. Even though my father said he wasn't interested, my parents were "slammed" and Sprint became their phone company. The resulting bills were higher than what they would have been from ATT. It took many phone calls, and **many** hours of *my time*, to get everything changed back and to have my parents' money refunded.

The MCI and Sprint people are typical of the rudeness and arrogance of telemarketers. They simply do not care that they are hijacking **our** phones for their use. As with the Sprint call I related above, I suspect that many telemarketing calls are fraudulent - and that they like to con and harass senior citizens in particular. (How **many** times do seniors have to **say**: "No, we don't need a new roof; or new siding, or new windows, or the chimney cleaned?" And how many times do senior citizens end up getting these - even though they don't need them - because of telemarketers?)

My parents and I (and my girlfriend, and my brother and **his** wife, and most of my friends) would greatly appreciate the approval of a national "**Do** Not Call" registry. But unless it **has** *incredibly harsh penalties* for abusive telemarketers and an easy way for the public to report abuses, I suspect it will be useless.

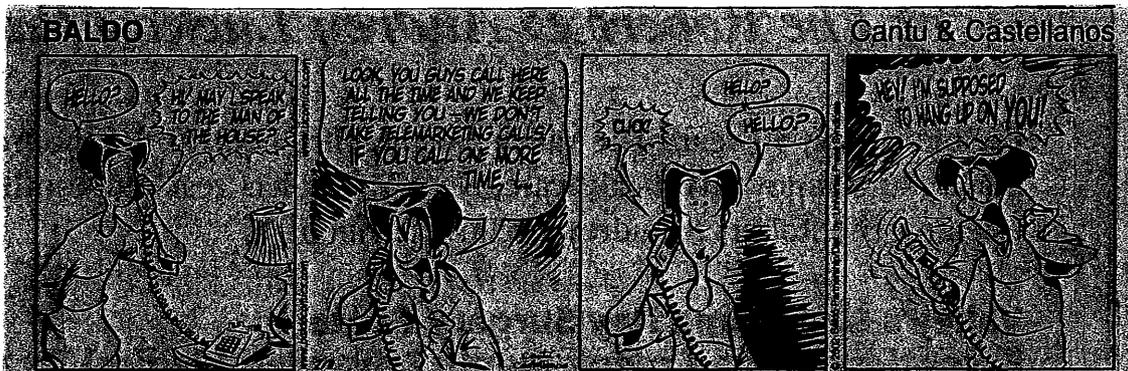
Actually, I **am** not really sure why I bothered to write this letter. The Direct Marketing Association will undoubtedly argue that telemarketers generate billions of dollars in sales and will claim that telemarketing is good for the economy. I feel certain the Association's clout will prevail over the wishes of all us average citizens who hate the abuses of telemarketers - and who simply want a way to opt out of the harassment of telemarketing.

Sincerely,



Dean Edward Cartier

[Redacted]
New Jersey [Redacted]



Feb. 4, 2002

Federal Trade Commission
Washington, D.C. 20580

We would definitely like our
names to be put on the national
registry. We are so tired of being
called by telemarketers. We do
not want to be called by any of
them.

Anything you can do to stop
the calling, will be greatly
appreciated.

Our listing our names:

Audrey P. Chewing
Thomas (Tom) M. Chewing

Thank you,

Audrey P. Chewing

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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██████████ NC ██████████
February 16, 2002

Secretary
Room 159
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, D.C. 20580

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support of proposed regulation of the telemarketing industry.

My preference would be to put my phone number on a permanent "do not call" status. Organizations with whom I already have a relationship can use the mail to communicate with me. It would be useful to have some kind of mechanism whereby I could verify and/or change the status of my phone number. This might be done on a call-in basis to an 800 number with automated entry and response.

I think it is very important for adult children to be permitted to request that a number be placed on "do not call" status. My parents, who are in their eighties, have a difficult time hearing and understanding phone calls from anyone whose voice is unfamiliar to them. They need to be protected from inadvertently agreeing to something because they did not understand the caller's message.

Sincerely,



Marjorie J. Clark

[Redacted]
[Redacted] FL [Redacted]
February 12, 2002
[Redacted]

Office of the Secretary
Room 59
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20580

Gentlemen:

Would you please add our name to the National registry of people who do not want to be called by telemarketers.

Have requested our name be added to the no telemarketers list from the State of Florida, the Telephone Preferred Services in Farmingdale, N. Y. and complained to Bell South - all to no avail. Some days we get as many as 10 telemarketer calls (all hang-ups) and even calls after midnight. Where could the 2:30 A.M. calls be coming from? After two or three calls, I take the phone off the hook which means we are paying for a phone we cannot use. Free enterprize is good - but at the expehse of taxpayers?

Would appreciate any assistance you could give us. We need relief!!!!

Very truly yours,

Elizabeth R. Cook

Clarence & Elizabeth Cook
[Redacted]
[Redacted] FL [Redacted]
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Feb-12-02

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Office of Secretary

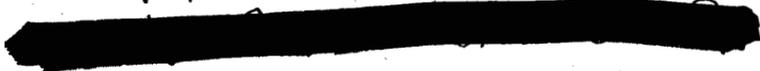
Rm 159-600

PA. Ave NW

Washington DC 20580

Please do Not call No.
Telemarketing Rulemaking Comment
No R 41101
Mrs Peter Darde

F NATHALEE DARDE
N. F. DARDE



January 29, 2002

FTC
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
ROOM 159
600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Dear Mr. Secretary,

Praise the Lord!!

At last someone is doing something to remove from our private telephones this scourge against our privacy and sanity.

It has become so bad on my phone that I refuse to answer it anymore. Any hour of the day and night it ring with high pressure sales talk to buy this or that.

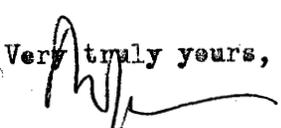
ME

IDC NOT NEED ANYBODY TO ENTICE TO GO OUT AND BUY ANYTHING. IKNOW WHEN AND WHERE TO GO AND BUY MY NEEDS.

You have my solid support in the passage of this legislation.

Thank you for your prompt and serious consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,


Reece J. Di Carlo

Mr. Reece J. Di Carlo


Telemarketing Rulemaking Comment
FTC File No R11001

February 5, 2002
OFFICE of the SECRETARY ROOM 159
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Ave
Washington D.C. 20580

To Whom It May Concern:

I am in favor of a Do Not Call registry. Most Tekmarketers call late in the evening. Usually while eating dinner, resting or late at night when I have already gone to bed. They do not care what time of day or night it is. If I want a product or service I can call or write for this service.

Sincerely,

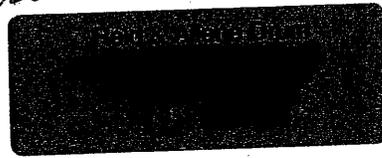
Bruce Dickey

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CA [REDACTED]

Feb. 5, 2002

We hope
something can be
done re, Telemarketers.
I'm 75 yrs. Husband 82
We don't ~~we~~ need ~~the~~
the calls -

Rid D. Drum
Aileen M. Drum



Q. Who is I refer to about his proposal
to E... ..
A. We assume you are referring to the Fed-
eral Trade Commission's proposal to create a
national registry for people who do not want to
be called by telemarketers. You can send a let-
ter to Office of the Secretary, Room 159, Fed-
eral Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave.,
NW, Washington, DC 20580. Comments are
due to the commission by March 29. The FTC
Web site www.ftc.gov has more details.
Call 1-877-732-7212 or toll free at 1-877-732-
7212.

February 13, 2001

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FTC,
Office of the Secretary
Room 159
600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Wash. DC, 20580

To the FTC,

Hello and greetings. I am writing to you
to express my opinion about
"telemarketing rulemaking - Comment. FTC File No. R421001".

I support the amendment to the Telemarketing
Sales Rule. I want people, like me, to
have more protection from the telemarketers,
especially, to be able to place my name
on a do not call list. I find these calls
to be intrusive, and often harassing, because
people (callers) don't want to accept "no"
as my answer when they ask for
my money. Please favor individuals over the telemarketing
industry & their lobbying.

Regards,
Mark Frederick

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MA [REDACTED]

VA
February 14, 2002

Office of the Secretary, Room 159
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington DC 20580

Gentlemen:

Please accept this letter as total support of your proposal to create a centralized national "DO NOT CALL" registry. Believe me, I would be first in line to opt into **this** registry.

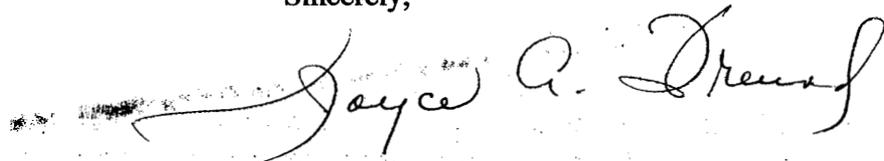
I cannot think of enough negative words to describe telemarketers and how unwelcome their calls are to me. It used to be that car salesmen were considered the most disliked, dishonest, offensive people one might encounter – **but** one could avoid them by the simple act of not going to their establishments. The options for avoiding telemarketers are not so simple, suffice it to **say**. They invade my privacy by calling at inopportune and inconvenient times. They insult my intelligence by deluding themselves that I would ever buy anything from a telemarketer. I have **already** tried every avenue I know of to avoid telemarketers – I've written letters to trade associations, told mail order **firms** not to share my name with any other entity, etc. Seems my **only** option at this time is to purchase a telephone receiver equipped for caller ID and then pay an additional monthly fee to my local telephone service provider so that I *can* see who's **trying** to call me. Annoying extra expense!

The minute I realize that a telemarketer is calling – either by the patently phony effusive greeting or their stumbling efforts to pronounce my last name – I inform the caller that I **am** not interested. This statement from me frequently seems to cause them to "ramp up" their sales pitch. So I find myself slamming down the receiver to disconnect in order to get rid of them.

The **bottom** line is that I do NOT want their calls! I urge you to create the DO NOT CALL Registry at the earliest possible moment.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



(Mrs.) Joyce A. Freund

James J. Gallagher
Maureen C. Gallagher

PA

February 15, 2002

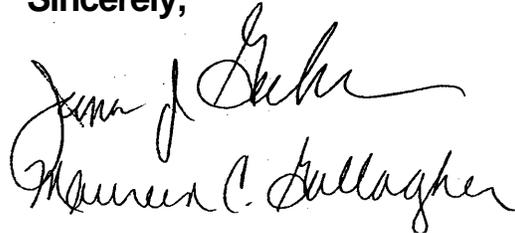
Federal Trade Commission
Office of the Secretary
Room 159
600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, PA 20580

RE: Telemarketing Rulemaking – Comment
FTC File Number R411001

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that we support the proposal for a national telemarketing do-not-call list. All steps should be taken to protect the privacy of individuals and prohibit telemarketers from unwanted solicitation.

Sincerely,



James J. Gallagher
Maureen C. Gallagher

Anne P Gay

NC

AT LAST! a way to get rid of the telemarketers
Thank you so much for a proposal to
help us maintain our privacy as well as
our sanity. Telemarketers are the bane of my
existence and I will back any proposal
made to eliminate this annoyance from
my life. Please add the following phone
number to any list you might have of
those wishing to be removed from the
telemarketers list -

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Thanks
Anne P Gay

February 19, 2002

FTC – Office of the Secretary
Room 159
600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20580

RE: Telemarketing Rulemaking – Comment
FTC File # R411001

Dears Sirs:

I endorse the establishment of a National Telemarketers Do Not Call List. It has become an intrusion into my personal life and if there is a way to have a list, that is VOLUNTARILY respected by telemarketers, I will endorse such an effort.

Thank you,



Robert A. Genzano

[Redacted address information]

February 11, 2002

FTC
Office of the Secretary
Room 159
600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20580

RE: Telemarketing Rulemaking-Comment. FTC File No. R411001

Dear Sir or **Ms**:

I support the FTC's proposal for a national telemarketing do-not-call list, and would like to have my name added to the list. I **am** so tired of the calls at dinner time or just after work. I cannot get these people to stop talking long enough for me to tell them I **am** not interested. I receive at least 7-8 calls per day. Now I screen my calls through my answering machine. There are several hang-ups, which I assume are marketers that will not talk to a machine. It is very disturbing, and I would like to see an end to it.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Catherine M. George

[REDACTED] NJ

[REDACTED]

Jeffrey B. Gibson



January 27, 2002

Telemarketing Rulemaking – Comment
FTC File No. R4f 1001

I **am** writing to voice my strong support for a national telemarketing do-not-call list. This is an idea that is long overdue. Pushy, obnoxious people trying to sell me something have interrupted too many dinners. Even worse is picking up the phone and having no one on the line because you have called by some damn computer.

This is not a free speech issue, **as** the Direct Marketing Association would lead you to believe. This is a privacy issue. If I don't want to hear a sales pitch on television, I can change the channel or turn off the television. The salespeople can't turn the TV on to force me to listen some lame sales pitch, which is what telemarketers are doing. I should have the right to privacy in my home. The fact that several states have already established do-not-call lists is proof there is consumer interest in such a law.

1. Telephone numbers should remain on the do-not-call registry until the line subscriber removes it.

2. The person named on the bill should be the one to request addition to the do-not-call list. Third parties should also be allowed to add numbers to the do-not-call list.

3. Telemarketers should be forced to list a number so people with Caller ID can see a number.

4. To ensure that people have been put on the list **as** per their request, a **confirmation postcard** should be mailed to the numbers billing address. If the request were correct no reply would be necessary. If the number was wrongly added to the list a telephone call could correct the problem.

5. If a person wished to receive some telemarketing calls they should be allowed to state the times and days they wished to receive calls.

6. If I specifically request that a company or organization can call me that should be permitted. Just because I had a pre-existing relationship does not automatically mean I wish to continue it.

Please enact the do-not-call list **as** soon as possible. A grateful nation will thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Feb. 13, 2002

Dear Sir,

I am very pleased that FTC is trying very hard to take care of the telemarketing sales. I will try to answer your questions. If you put your name on the list not to be call it should be for good. Head of household (man or woman) should be the one to say no more calls. Especially if they are the ones who answer the phone the most. I really don't know how to comment on how to verify numbers. It should be all or nothing on these calls. After all you are working to help us consumers & I feel we have to help you out by voting to say no calls at all & that is the way I feel. To my husband & daughter would like to see these calls gone. If I give to a charity it's never from a phone call as like everything else there are too many scams! My husband is 72 & I'm 63. He's very ill & has been sick for sometime. To give you one example: We got a call while he was in the hospital at 6:30 A.M from Marathon Oil credit card. I told them politely please don't call & take me off your list. Guess what? The

phone rang at 10:00 A.M., 6:30, about 10:30
at nite from Marathon, Ill. I wrote them
"Marathon" a letter but never got a response.
We get on the average of 7 or 8 calls a day.
I try to be nice. I gave up finally.
I could go on & on. All hrs. a few times
at 11:00 EST.) at nite. So anything you
do to pass this law will be greatly
appreciated.

Thank You

God Bless

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Gilbert

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Ohio
[REDACTED]

February 7, 2002

Federal Trade Commission
Office of Secretary
Room 159
Pennsylvania Ave., N. W.
Washington, D.C. 20580

Dear Sir:

I am writing in regards of the hope for a National Do Not Call List or law that prevents telemarketers/ and similar persons from calling. We are tired of these calls and feel it violates our privacy.

1. We feel we have a right in choice as who calls us. We pay for a private/home phone. We do not pay for a commercial phone (at our home). Selling is a business and needs to be Practiced as such. They should have to advertise and let interest customers come to them.
2. I feel calls at home are dangerous. Not everyone is who they claim they are. Calls are made to get information about people, causes old, ill, persons healing from surgery ect., children and other (handicap) to be in a bad position when sometimes answering unwanted calls. People are robbed, have lost savings & more as there is not a way to know who you are speaking with. If a product is worthy and good -- it can be purchased in the stores. Telemarketers need to advertise in the newspaper/ or other (open a business).
3. My husband (Rick Gordon) receives calls constantly on his business cell phone. This is dangerous as he has alot of business calls all day. Seldom is he not on the phone. When driving, he gets mad after receiving calls from telemarketers & I don't like to ride with him after receiving a call on his cell phone. He has received as many as 8-10 in a day. It breaks his concentration while driving as well as his thoughts of concentration of his work. He has nasty habit of riding bumpers & doing crazy things behind the wheel when he is mad at these telemarketers calls on his cell. I don't know of anyone who can be normal after getting a call from telemarketers.
4. How many of these calls are the fire department, police department, handicap organizations (others) wanting contributions. We need a law to stop these calls also. Signs, ads in newspapers & many other places could be made available to protect consumers & they feel save in the contributions being real. How many of these contributions are going to crime organizations or Bin Laden.
5. Phone companies are wrong in acting to protect the public (private home phones) from telemarketers. They sell our names and numbers to telemarketers while developing new techniques to claim to protect us.. They want to sell us call block or other services and still develop a way for telemarketers to purchase ways to get around us. THIS IS FRAUD. They need to choose a side to do business with
WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE A COUNTRY OF FREEDOM OF CHOICE. ANYONE PAYING A BILL (phone bill) CERTAINLY SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT. TO SAY: "YOU CANNOT CALL ME". We are changing way the constitution when we take away "FREEDOM OF CHOICE" .

Abortion: (May or may not be right) but it falls under our "FREEDOM OF CHOICE" . Did we forget why it was made legal. ... Many youth & others were going to foreign countries to get it done, doing it themselves or hiring persons without licenses to perform the services. Our insurance cost goes up when health problems occur from sources doing themselves or hiring a unreliable service. This drives-up insurance & taxpayers cost. Abortions will not-stop and I support a reliable service rather than self or other We need to support "Freedom of Choice" & let the Lord have his rights/decisions of what should render. THE LAWS OF OUR LAND SAY: "FREEDOM OF CHOICE". When we question rights, we go against the laws of our land.

Thank You,

Dalene A. Gordon
Dalene A. Gordon

Georgia