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Telecom Service Bureau located in Ocala, Florida owes me money!

I am a small, woman owned and operated business located in Orlando, FL. I have \$40,000 in dispute with Telecom Service Bureau and I need the community's help. Telecom Service Bureau operates programs called Wireless for Hope and Affordable Wireless (along with several others) with funds provided in part by the government. Long story short, they get paid \$10 a month by USAC (\$120 a year) for each cell phone they distribute to qualified needy families. My business was hired to market and distribute re-furbished phones on Telecom Service Bureau's behalf. We were offered a ONE-TIME \$3 per phone which we accepted. Keep in mind Telecom Service Bureau would be getting \$120 per phone over a period of 1 year. Even at a measly \$3 per phone Telecom Service Bureau owes us \$40,000. I have discussed settling this matter for \$20,000 DIRECTLY with owner of Telecom Service Bureau and their attorney but, after several promises of payments we have yet to see a penny.

Since Telecom Service Bureau is a local business I need your help. This debt has caused me many sleepless nights. I paid my contractors/workers despite Telecom's failure to pay me. I HONORED MY OBLIGATIONS TO MY STAFF. This debt has caused me to lose my whole life savings. I would appreciate any government agency or legal help. I FEEL COMPLETELY RIPPED OFF BY TELECOM SERVICE BUREAU! Right now, I have filed complaintes with USAC and the FCC Inspector General are investigating. The whole process has been painfully slow. I'm having to contact local business chambers and government agencies at the state level to expedite this investigation. There are a lot of details I can't post on this board. Needless to say, in my opinion based on what I learned and observed, things are not on the up and up. I strongly believe the government, USAC, and the FCC should not allow self-certification because it breeds fraud.

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Telecom Service Bureau along with their attorney, Mr. Cortes are even denying a contract exists between us and their client. REALLY?! We received two payments issued by their client of \$20,000 each of the total \$60,000 owed accordingly to our payment timetable. NOW, THERE IS A \$40,000 BALANCE.

At this point, I feel like Telecom Service Bureau (Wireless for Hope) stole my money and Blanchard, Merriam, Adel and Kirkland, P.A. supplied the get-a-away car.