Call Recording

Participant

This call may be recorded for quality and security purposes, but I spaniel single Your spectrum mobile service has been suspended due to an issue with your automatic payment one moment while I look up your account I found your account. It'll be another moment while I review your information. I see there is an overdue amount of \$160.00 which you must pay to restore your services to make a payment now please stay on the line OK, let's start your payment for \$160. I'm having a problem pulling up your card information. You can try your call again later or by going to spectrum .net

You

Agent

Participant

/mobile. You wanted to talk to a representative is that right?

You

Correct

Participant

One last thing before I connect you to a representative please go ahead and give me your four digit spectrum security code now if you need

You

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Participant

Thank you all right let me transfer you to a representative. Please hold. Thank you for calling spectrum my name is Isaiah. I'm a billing specialist located in Washington state home today.

You

Hello Isaiah, my name is Robert Henson. I am a retired paramedic out of Fort Worth, Texas, and I am letting you know that this is in regards to potential retaliation after a formal ADA. Request for accommodation was made as outlined under title three I need to be transferred to your compliance

department, please

Participant

OK, just give me one moment and I'll get you to the right department OK

You

Thank you

Participant

Of course spectrummobile .com or spectrum store Looking for a fast and easy way to answer your questions you are online chat available on the my spectrum app or spectrum .net while there you can also enroll in auto pay for upgrade to get even more out of your spectrum services That advanced Wi-Fi with security shield has you covered in security locking that automatically so you never have to worry advance Wi-Fi with security shield if it's connected, it's protected Everyone deserve the best Internet connection. You can get enough speed to better every day with spectrum Internet, delivering fees up to a gig. If you already have spectrum Internet, ask your representative how you can try spectrum mobile for a year included with your spectrum Internet Please hold on the line for the next available representative and have your account information handy for your convenience. You can find answer to many of your questions on spectrum .net and the my spectrum app. All right, thank you so much for holding so I just need a little bit more information regarding this and then I can go ahead and get you to the right department so what exactly has happened?

You

I'm sorry, but I've spoken to your organization three separate times regarding this after four months now of being jerked around misled and then gaslit and Now I'm receiving what I have all reason to believe is retaliation from your organization. I'm formally requesting and documenting this phone call as I say, please transferring to either your legal compliance department or your accessibility compliance department.

Participant

All right, I understand. I'll go ahead and get you over there now. Just hold on the line for me.

You

Thank you

Participant

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You

My name is Robert Hanson and I am a retired and disabled paramedic out of the Fort Worth Texas area on federal Social Security disability. How are you?

Participant

I'm doing well, thank you Robert. What's going on that I can help out with here

You

Well, let me go ahead and just briefly start at the very beginning and I asked that you bear with me for a moment. Maybe we can come to some sort of resolution over this whole deal before it gets any worse.

Participant

OK

You

Right about the first of the year might've been in the last couple of weeks of December might've been the first week or two of January. I don't remember exactly when I got a promotional for y'all. I've been inviting me to bring my service beer company and I would have Internet phone for myself a watch for myself on. Phone for my father who I carry his service. I also carry a watch for him. All of us are currently active on your network at this moment except for my watch because in the process of transitioning, my daughter who got a hold of my watch one day and she lost it of course Wanna get upset and yell at them but you can't oh she did not know, though when that happens that that watch is how I'm monitor a lot of my medical issues. I have a traumatic brain injury and a bunch of other medical problems associated with my career as the first responder here in the North Texas region and I use those devices my phone and my Internet connection at home and the watch that I used to have. To not just monitor my vinyl signs, but maintain contact with my healthcare team and with family when needed in case of an emergency very serious issues that if they're not handled in a

very particular way, it's not the type of stuff you can just go to the emergency room for it very important not lifestyle luxuries it's not TikTok in YouTube this is Real time monitoring 24 seven I attempted to explain the situation when my daughter lost my watch and said hey I know we were in the process transitioning it and I was bringing mine. My kid lost it. I'm sorry about that. We've already got the line established let me just go ahead and get a new watch. I'll pay the down payment for it which is typically what the tax for whatever the device is on. And will be good to go and go from there, and they advised me that that would not be possible, even though my promotional had been for upgrade any time that they weren't really sure why couldn't really tell me why, but for some reason the system was denying me and that I probably just needed to wait a day or two so a couple days later I went in and Same person and I'm back how are you and we talk and try it again and no go again they said well maybe it'll take a month or two so I'm waiting a little while in that time because I've nerve damage in my hands. Also, I've dropped my phone a lot and in the process damaged my phone. This is the phone that I brought from another provider but Y'all were carrying insurance on home due to mine not being eligible for upgrade. When I joined your service. I had tried to get it repaired. They sent me to a local shop. The guys were actually very nice. They just did not complete the ceiling of the screen and about five days after I had gotten it repaired. It quit working and I was without a device for I think it was about 72 hours in total, which was honestly quite terrifying and I couldn't leave my home because of it but your insurance company did get me a replacement device sent out and they were pretty good about it once I got the situation explained they were good Since then, I have not been able for any reason to upgrade my device to reestablish having a connected, watch anything, despite all efforts and on top of that a couple of weeks ago, I knew that my home Internet bill was coming past due I simply could not afford it. I get \$2000 a month to survive on and I've already told you I'm raising a teenager 41. I'm not I just got injured doing my career.

Participant Delete

You

I reached out to your call center spoke to him and they had not been able to extend a long gray. But they were understanding when I explain that it was for medical needs and that I have monitoring equipment in the home they got me reconnected I could not even reached the day that I had agreed to pay them on yet and they suspended my service again. I had to borrow money for my ex-wife to get my service. Turned back on at home fence then I have reached out to your customer care team two separate times. Both of which I have logs and transcripts of all And tried to communicate with them to find out what is the disconnect here because I understand That y'all don't want to upgrade a device or do whatever because I have bad credit. I understand that however my credit is what it is because I got injured on the job as a first responder and I spent 3 3 months. Going through the disability application process to get fully found it found a fully favorable for Social Security disability. I ended up homeless in that process. I lost my car. I lost my home. My daughter lost all her

possessions. I lost all mine my family jail loan everything I had ever owned, it was gone. Along with my career So to say that it's upsetting that my credit problems are being thrown in my face when they are the result of injuries I received serving is a huge insult but when I try to explain that and say, I'm sorry under the American with disabilities act title three There are reasonable accommodations that can be requested. I have tried desperately to work with y'all at every turn. I called the other day and explain to an agent that I get the credit thing. However, y'all are running a promotion right now for a three year service for new customers I've just joined a couple of months ago. If y'all are not dedicated to your credit is an issue. OK then I ask respectfully that you transition me over to this more recent promo. And at least that will give me an opportunity to not have this sitting on top of my head and I can try and get my life back in order and readjusted all continue on his friends and happy business associates

Participant

OK, I'm so sorry to hear about everything that you've been through. That sounds like an absolutely brutal time so I'm happy to take a look at you know what we can do for you Robert I just need to get into the account a little bit.

You

OK

Participant

So I've been I have been also taking notes as you've been kind of filling me in on everything but I wanna make sure

You

Oh absolutely

Participant

it's right. I wanna make sure I got the right account here. Can you verify the service address on it for me?

You

Yeah 8128 Fox Fire Ln. apartment D as in Delta White Sutherland, TX 76108

Participant

Thank you and do you happen to know the four digit security code?

You

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Participant

Thank you All right, let's get in here and take a look I'm just taking a look at what we have you on in

You

Oh, you're fine if you hear any

Participant

terms of

You

talking in the background, pick my kiddo up from the orthodontist

Participant

That's completely fine. You do what you've gotta do. Looks like we've got you on a total of 8 4 cable and Internet And then Three unlimited plus line All right so I do see where you had given us a call back on March 31 so about three days ago trying to get An upgrade done and it

You

I had

Participant

looks like

You

actually called the day before that and I have a log of it. I'm trying to do the pre- service after I had spoken to somebody that was supposedly with your compliance team who transferred me to a regular sales agent the sales agent completely ignored everything I said, and tried to explain to me how an Apple Watch works and that he wanted to offer me one for free. But that had to pay the taxes on it and I said well then that's not free and you've never actually answered my question and that was when the conversation kind of broke down and I said I'll tell you what I will try reaching out to you tomorrow and that was the next day that I talked

Participant

OK So what I'm showing is that your due date for your mobile bill is the 21st of the month and

You

That's correct. I

Participant

SO

You

advised them at the time of those previous communication that I don't get paid by Social Security until the 2 7th through the third. I don't wanna control over that and then having mine auto pay date on that day was always going to result in the same situation can I get a bacon cheeseburger just make cheese and bacon only And a Coke I'm sorry

Participant

So the reason

You

I'm sorry I'm sorry OK OK, thank you Honey, get whatever you want Sorry about that I was trying to order lunch on Yes, when I spoke to y'all the other day and the guy had offered to let me get a watch. I let them know that time also that I get paid by law according to Social Security somewhere between the 27th and the third of every month they have in until midnight on the third of every month have that transaction posted to my account I don't ever know in

Participant

Right

You

advance when it's gonna come in. I didn't get a

Participant

And I can definitely

You

choice. I did not get a choice over when that payment was

Participant

understand

You

on payment date was put I've not been able to alter it and I'm sorry but again I've already told you I get \$2000 a month to survive on. I've got medical conditions that requires constant monitoring care and I'm still raising a teenager in height. That makes it very hard to stretch that I'm not asking for a handout from anybody but a little lenient seeing Grace were appropriate. Absolutely they have more than earned it.

Participant

The reason that I point that out is because When there is a payment that needs to be made on the account our systems actually block us from being able to place an order for a new device

You

I'm sorry

Participant

So it's very possible that the soft credit check was actually not the issue and that we were unable to process the order because of this past due payment

You

Ma'am, I have had this exact same credit issue with y'all multiple other times as I have told you previously, and as I have told other representatives, there is no reason to indicate that that is the case this time, however Under title three of the American with disabilities act, I do have the right to ask for reasonable accommodation modification to your policy regarding the credit check. I've asked multiple times I've asked that it be documented multiple times and I've asked that they refusal be documented multiple times and that has been denied every single time which is why now today I have all right to think this is a Tory issue because made any effort to even listen to me explaining the situation. This could've been avoided and the build would've already been paying, but I'm not gonna give you the last of my money when you're refusing to even listen to me advocate for my rights. One of your representatives told me that that was a subjective point of view. I'm sorry respectfully the law does disagree with y'all and that's why I've got a brief that I am preparing regarding this whole matter I want to work with y'all. I just wanna go on and live my life. I don't want anything, but y'all refused. I'm reaching out today just because I was driving my daughter to the orthodontist and my phone signal just terminated immediately knew my line was suspended. This is my final attempt to. We gotta work something out otherwise I'm sorry, but this is going up the chain and it's not stomping at the DOJ. It's going to the FCC it's going to the state of Texas. It's going to national the national Association of EMT international Association of firefighters along with every military unit I've ever been associated with because I have repeatedly just asked. For a little not for Anything extravagant I haven't asked for y'all to give me anything. The only reason I brought up the free of service is because y'all are running that as a promotion right now and deny the promotion that I was brought over due to my credit, which is a direct result of my injuries That's discrimination that's not subject

Participant

I hear where you're coming from the credit check is done by Experian so all we all we are able to do is put in the

You

Ma'am

Participant

information and they give us a result so

You

Find out because this whole call has been recorded and documented and it's going into the legal no

Participant

Of course it is all of our calls are recorded

You

I mean, I'm recording it and I'm putting it into the legal brief and I'm going to send it off today because I'm done. I'm at my limit. I don't think you'll

Participant

That's fine OK

You

understand their lives at state you're not just mine. There are other people in situations like mine and if y'all are treating me like this while I'm advocating for myself, I can't imagine how y'all are treating people who don't know how to. And that is actually what I am the most upset about. I'm sorry I spent a career watching that stuff on. I will not spend my retirement living once so I apologize for picking up a large amount of your time Hoping we could reach one more attempt at working something out, but I hope you have a wonderful day

Participant

I hope you do as well bye

You

Bye