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Consumer Report To The FTC

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About you

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Country: USA

What happened

On December 25, 2024, I was contacted via text message from what I was led to believe was a legitimate contractor, identifying herself, himself, themselves as: Catherine Hair, alleged owner to FRESH COAT PAINTING AND DRYWALL LLC, listed via STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS under Document Number: L23000417006. The communication sent to me via text message requested my private painting labor services for a property located in CITY OF SEBRING, STATE OF FLORIDA. The property address is alleged to be: 3900 Monza Drive, Sebring, Florida. The Legal Description for the property is as follows: LOT 0620 BLK 2610 - SUN N LAKE OF SEB UNIT 13, PB 9, PG 71, Map ID: 25C The real property is listed with the COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS PROPERTY RECORDS, STATE OF FLORIDA. After my having unsuspectingly taken the bait to be lured to the CITY OF SEBRING, under the premise of myself performing private painting labor services on the described property, I arranged to physically go to the property to perform my private painting labor services. According to whom I believed at the time was a persons claiming to be Catherine Hair, I was only to do some basic touch-ups upon a couple of walls and some minor touch-ups as needed within the housing unit. The project offered to myself was for Interior painting only and was supposed to be a project that only lasted a day or two at the most. I accepted the offer of \$3,000.00, not knowing that I was being severely deceived by the perpetrator(s), alleged to be Catherine Hair, and her associates in the matter. I arrived to the property on December 27, 2024 and I began what I believed was some touch-ups on the walls and some basic "Final Paint" labor to finish the property's Interior painting. Upon my arrival, I noticed extensive touch-ups that needed to be performed in all of the rooms and closets of the housing unit, as there was heavy texture spray repairs to walls of the unit, for reasons unknown to myself. According to the persons alleged to be Catherine Hair, she claimed to normally visit property locations herself (or her alleged husband, Christopher Hair). She utilized my painting skills, knowledge, and expertise, to assess the extensive paint touch-ups needed to fix whatever went wrong. In addition, according to the persons alleged to be Catherine Hair, prior painters assigned to the property for Interior painting, did not finish the painting for whatever reasons. I adequately and professionally performed the painting labor needed for the touch-ups and ran into the next issue consisting of all of the Interior doors needing full painting, as they were all unfinished. I performed extensive painting labor on all of the housing unit's Interior doors, door jams, and trim, totaling twenty-three (23) doors. The total labor for the Interior painting that I personally performed took myself approximately three (3) full days, consisting of twelve (12) hours each day to fulfill. Overall, once I completed the private painting labor services on the real property on December 30, 2024, I was supposed to meet the husband of the persons claiming to have been Catherine Hair, Christopher Hair. Both persons texted me back and forth as I was supposed to meet the alleged husband at an Orlando, Florida train station for financial compensation. No one ever showed and the numbers used were both disconnected. The alleged property owner(s) has been discovered to be: UNITY DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENTS LLC.

How it started

Date fraud began:	Amount I was asked for:	Amount I Paid:
12/25/2024		
Payment Used:		How I was contacted:
		Text

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Details about the company, business, or individual

Company/Person		
Name:		
UNITY DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENTS LL	С	
Address Line 1:	Address Line 2:	City:
755 CRANDON BOULEVARD	SUITE 8	KEY BISCAYNE
State:	Zip Code:	Country:
Florida	33149	USA
Email Address:		
jortega@udgroup.us		
Phone:		
8139465967		
Website:		
https://www.unityknows.com		
Name of Person You Dealt With:		
CATHERINE HAIR		



Your Next Steps

If you want to stop getting so much text message spam:

• Filter or stop messages before they reach you. You can find out how to do that on your phone, through your wireless provider, or with a call-blocking app here.

General Advice:

- You can find tips and learn more about bad business practices and scams at consumer.ftc.gov.
- If you're concerned that someone might misuse your information, like your Social Security, credit card, or bank account number, go to <u>identitytheft.gov</u> for specific steps you can take.



What Happens Next

- Your report will help us in our efforts to protect **all** consumers. Thank You!
- We can't resolve your individual report, but we use reports to investigate and bring cases against fraud, scams, and bad business practices.
- We share your report with our law enforcement partners who also use reports to investigate and bring cases against fraud, scams, and bad business practices.
- We use reports to spot trends, educate the public, and provide data about what is happening in your community. You can check out what is going on in your state and metro area by visiting fc.gov/exploredata.
- Investigations and cases do take time, but when we bring cases, we try to get money back for people. Check out ftc.gov/refunds to see recent FTC cases that resulted in refunds.

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