

Links to Consumer Resources



Agency	Website Address	Resources	Telephone #
Pinellas County Consumer Protection 14250 49 th St., N. Suite 1000 Rm 2 Clearwater, FL 33762	www.pinellascounty.org/consumer www.pinellascounty.org (County home page)	Search the complaint history of a business or file a consumer complaint.	727-464-6200
Better Business Bureau	www.clearwater.bbb.org	Review business reports and information on charities.	727-535-5522
Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board (PCCLB)	www.pcclb.com	Verify that home improvement contractors are licensed to operate in Pinellas County.	727-582-3100
Department of Business & Professional Regulation (DBPR)	www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr www.myflorida.com (State home page)	Search business and professional licenses including contractors , real estate agents and cosmetologist.	850-487-1395
Department of State Division of Corporations	www.sunbiz.org	Search corporation records and fictitious names registrations.	
Department of Financial Services •Office of Insurance Regulation •Office of Financial Regulation	www.fldfs.com (home page) http://www.floir.com/companysearch http://www.myfloridacfo.com/data/aar_alis1 http://www.flofr.com (home page) https://real.flofr.com/ConsumerServices/SearchLicensingRecords/Search.aspx	Search license information on insurance companies and insurance agents . Search information on mortgage brokers and other finance related licenses.	800-342-2762 850-487-9687
Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Division of Consumer Services	www.800helpfla.com	Regulatory responsibility for Business Opportunities, Motor Vehicle Repair Shops , Charitable Organizations, Florida Do Not Call Program, Dance Studios, Pawnbrokers, Health Studios, Sellers of Travel, Intrastate Movers , Sweepstakes/Game Promotions and Telemarketing.	800-435-7352
Florida Department of Health	www.doh.state.fl.us (home page) http://ww2.doh.state.fl.us/irm00praes/praslist.asp	Search license information on doctors and health care professionals.	888-419-3456

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Federal Trade Commission (FTC)	www.ftc.gov	Federal consumer information and enforcement. Consumer publications available online.	877-382-4357
	www.DoNotCall.gov	Reduce telemarketing calls by signing up for the National Do Not Call Registry .	888-382-1222
	www.annualcreditreport.com	Order free annual credit report from each of the three nationwide consumer credit reporting companies.	877-322-8228
	www.ftc.gov/idtheft	Resources and information on Identity Theft .	877-438-4338
	www.OnGuardOnline.gov	Interactive information to help you secure your computer , guard against Internet fraud , and protect your personal information. "OPT-OUT" of receiving pre-screened credit card offers in the mail.	888-567-8688
Direct Marketing Association	www.dmachoice.org www.the-dma.org (home page)	DMA choice is an online tool to help control and limit the amount of unsolicited commercial mail and email received.	
Florida Department of Corrections	www.dc.state.fl.us (offender search)	Information on felony offenders in prison and on probation.	
Pinellas My Neighborhoods	www.pinellascounty.org/resident	Residents can look up information on community resources and crime in their neighborhood.	
Clerk of the Circuit Court Pinellas County	https://public.co.pinellas.fl.us/login/loginx.jsp www.pinellasclerk.org (home page)	Online public records search for Official Records, Civil and Criminal information. Clerk's Legal Self Help Centers .	