

## **SHOW CAUSE: Verizon's Choice to Blow Off TCPA Subpoena May Cost It**

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Quick on for you this AM.

So a guy named Jason Crews brought a TCPA suit in Arizona.

He issued a subpoena to Verizon back in December to obtain records of allegedly illegal calls made to this number.

According to Crews Verizon received the subpoena and simply refused to respond to it– its employees told him “Verizon would not comply because the subpoena was not a court order.”

Hmmmm.

Crews asked the Court to hold Verizon in contempt for failure to respond to the subpoena and also asked the Court to require Verizon to better train it employees.

Well in *Crews v. Bermudez*, 2025 WL 1411900 (D. AZ May 15, 2025) the Court granted the Plaintiff's request in part– it ordered Verizon to show up and explain why it had not responded to the subpoena and why it should not be held in contempt.

Eesh.

On the other hand the Court did refuse to issue an order requiring further training of Verizon employees.

Generally speaking it is not a good idea to fail to respond to a subpoena in TCPA cases– or any case really. Federal judges have tremendous power to make your life miserable!

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