

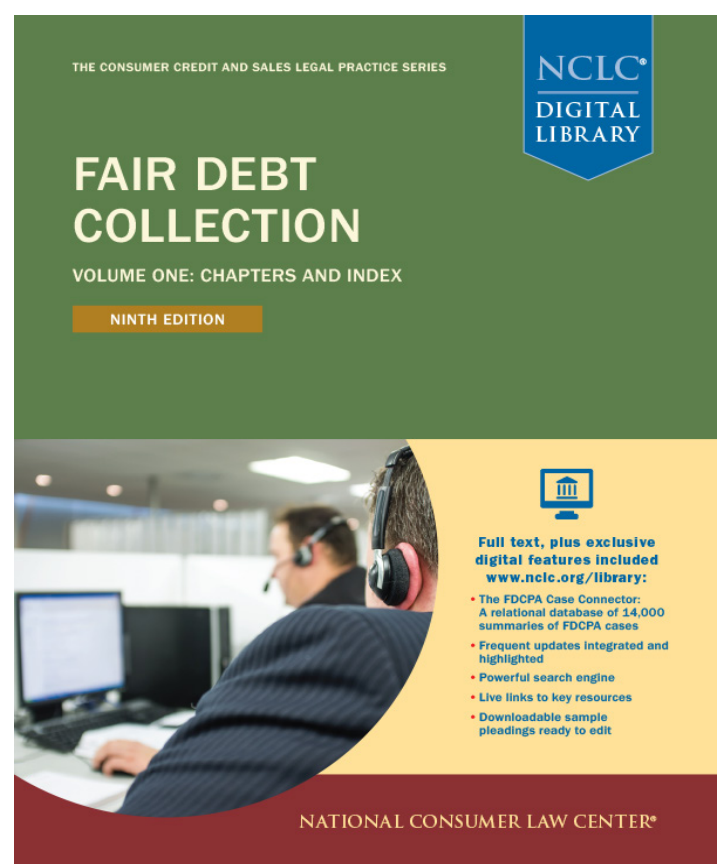
# NCLC Helps Build a Bar of Consumer Attorneys to Enforce Debt Collection Protections

## Legal Practice Materials, Conferences and Case Consulting Services Support and Train FDCPA Attorneys

After helping enact a strong Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA) in 1977, prohibiting many of the worst practices of debt collectors, NCLC leaders understood the need to help build a bar of well-equipped consumer attorneys to enforce the federal law, as well as state-level debt collection protections.

Training and supporting consumer attorneys has been at the core of NCLC's mission since its first day. NCLC's FDCPA resources include publications like our definitive treatise, *Fair Debt Collection*, which has been cited by the U.S. Supreme Court and has been the primary reference in the field for 35 years. Authored by experts who bring decades of experience on FDCPA litigation, legislation, and interpretations, the treatise now includes the FDCPA Case Connector, a searchable database of 14,000 FDCPA case holdings.

NCLC experts have consulted with legal services and private consumer attorneys on thousands of consumer cases, and NCLC has organized conferences and trainings including local legal services FDCPA trainings, FDCPA sessions at NCLC's



annual Consumer Rights Litigation Conference since 1992, and a focused FDCPA conference held each year since 2009, bringing practitioners together to strategize and learn from one another about the most effective ways to enforce the FDCPA and related state laws, in order to protect consumers from abusive, deceptive and unfair treatment by debt collectors.