

## **Sample Letter for creditors for Dependents**

Date

Creditor Name and Address

Re: Client Name

Client Account Number

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to §538 of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA), 50 U.S.C. App. 501 et seq., I request that interest on the above-referenced debt be reduced to 6 percent. I am the (wife/child/other dependent) of (name of service member) who entered active duty on (state service member's Active Duty Commencement Date) and who is presently on active duty assigned to (state service member's Client Unit).

The entry of (name of service member) into military service has substantially affected my ability to meet this obligation at the original interest rate. I incurred this debt before (his/her) entry into active duty.

The SCRA sets a 6 percent per annum ceiling on interest charges (including service charges, renewal charges, and fees) during the period of a service member's military service for obligations made prior to the date of entry into active duty when the active duty materially affects the ability to pay. Thus, the balance of my obligation may not have interest charged at a rate greater than 6 percent per annum. Interest above 6 percent must be forgiven and not accrued. Please ensure that your records reflect this statutory ceiling and that any excess charge is withdrawn.

Please be further advised that you may not repossess for nonpayment of an installment obligation without first complying with the provisions of the SCRA.

Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions on this matter please contact (point of contact handling your affairs include phone and address.)

Sincerely,

Attachments:

Copy of activations orders