

## **Real Estate Agency**

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## Warning: Timeshare Scammers Operating in Oregon

Scammers are using the names of legitimate Oregon real estate licensees and businesses to steal from timeshare owners. The problem is that the names are being used without the permission or knowledge of the actual licensees or companies.

Possible warning signs that a "timeshare reseller" may be a scammer:

- You receive an unsolicited call from someone who has a "buyer" for, or wants to buy, your timeshare.
- The contact information provided (address, phone number, or business name) doesn't match what's in the <u>Oregon Real Estate Agency</u>'s records.
- You must wire money to pay a transfer "fee" or "tax" that is required so the transaction can close. Once paid, more and more "fees" may be needed for the transaction to close.
- You are required to sign the deed over without the benefit of going through a licensed escrow company.

If you suspect a timeshare resale scam, contact the Oregon Department of Justice.