
Sonya Smith-Valentine

Identity Theft & Credit Expert

Keynote Speaker • Consultant • Attorney



Sonya is passionate about educating and empowering her audiences. She makes identity theft prevention, personal finance and consumer protection law fun! Sonya blends her experience as a persuasive practicing attorney with her charismatic and energetic speaking style to enlighten and inspire her audiences. Her presentations are rich with ideas, suggestions and stories. Audiences walk away with the knowledge, resources and tools needed to change their approach to handling most identity theft, personal finance and consumer protection issues.

*What do NBC News, The Washington Post, ABC News,
USA Today and CBS News have in common?*

They have all featured Sonya Smith-Valentine!

5 Reasons to Choose Sonya for Your Next Event

- ✓ Sonya's funny and entertaining. When people are laughing, they're learning.
- ✓ Sonya won't bore the audience with jargon or empty cheerleading.
- ✓ People identify with Sonya. She has lived and litigated the issues she speaks about.
- ✓ Sonya has a record of motivating people to make positive changes and smart decisions.
- ✓ Sonya will make you a hero with your peers for organizing a winning event!

"Your boundless energy and passion for what you do is truly evident in your presentation. Women now know that there is hope & optimism to protect their rights as a consumer. Hopefully with wisdom like yours—we will hold a stable financial future."

Nancy Hill, APG Federal Credit Union

"Your session was dynamite!"

Virginia Gerhart, University of Maryland

"The information you provided our employees was extremely useful. I especially appreciated your willingness to stay on after the event had ended to continue answering audience questions. Please accept my heartfelt gratitude."

John Miller, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

"Thank you for participating in my office's Identity Theft Forum. Your comments were helpful of what steps need to be taken to ensure the security of the personal information of Maryland residents."

Joseph Curran, Former Attorney General of Maryland

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Sonya Smith-Valentine brings an impressive blend of personal and professional experience that qualifies her to be an expert in her field. Her credentials include:

- ◆ Being interviewed on major TV networks: ABC, NBC, CBS.
- ◆ Being quoted and/or profiled in major publications: the Washington Post, USA Today, the Baltimore Sun, and Black Enterprise Magazine.
- ◆ Presenting for numerous colleges, corporations and organizations in major cities across the country.
- ◆ Successful legal career winning cases against credit bureaus, credit card companies, banks and collection agencies.

Sonya's Most Requested Programs:

Identity Theft Prevention for the Workplace

Protect your organization from America's fastest growing crime. Identity theft will cost businesses more than \$50 billion dollars this year. Your business doesn't have to be one of them. Sonya Smith-Valentine, a victim of identity theft and one of America's top identity theft speakers, will inspire your audience to protect valuable company information as if it were their own. Organizations that proactively educate their employees about identity theft protection drastically reduce the chances of a costly data breach. Your audience will learn the resulting costs of poor privacy practices. Data that is protected is profitable whether it's a client's credit card number, a patient's medical file or other sensitive information. By the time Sonya finishes, your audience will be fully empowered to protect private information at home and at work.



Alphabet Soup: What Credit & Debt Professionals Need to Know About the Legal Acronyms

This presentation applies to financial planners, banks, credit card companies, collection agencies, insurance companies, CPAs and others in the financial services industry. FDCPA, FCRA, EFTA, FCBA are acronyms for federal consumer protection laws. With challenges rising in everyday business, your organization cannot afford to ignore the federal regulations affecting its bottom line. It is critical that your institution stay in compliance and ahead of the pack. Learn the latest consumer protection regulations from Sonya Smith-Valentine, one of America's top consumer rights lawyers who is actively involved in the development of these issues

Credit & Debt Problems Happen . . . Here's How You Respond

If your organization is looking for a way to educate its customers on how to handle financial problems, Sonya Smith-Valentine's presentation is the answer. When a mistake occurs in your clients' financial life, they don't always know which way to turn. Their first reaction is to call the company that appears to be the source of the problem hoping they'll fix their mistake. The correction process can be a source of frustration and, if handled incorrectly, can negatively affect your clients' personal financial standing. It takes in-depth knowledge to ensure proper resolution of the issue. Sonya's presentation will empower your customers with knowledge of their financial rights.

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