

Operation Repo + Excessive Number of Cable Channels = Junk TV

According to a dozen or more hits after Googling “Repossession TV Shows,” Operation Repo appears to be a “new reality show” although it has been around in one form or another in Mexico and Canada, with its debut in the U.S. January 2011. Operation Repo joins the ranks of Monster Truck Repo, Pimpin’ Ain’t Sleazy, Matt the Protector, An Act of Mercy and other TruTV programs. With cable, dish, and other service providers competing for viewers of thousands of programs to fill hundreds of channels, it’s little wonder trash TV has become so over the top with cheaply produced garbage. They will all get their percentage of viewers.

Touted as “Reality TV” and first premiering in April 2008, Operation Repo uses scripted and dramatized re-enactments in which a cast recreates incidents using actors and staged action footage. A tiny disclaimer at the beginning of the program says, “The stories that are portrayed in this program are based on real events. The names of the characters were changed in order to protect their identities and some honor.” Money is a forceful magnet to those who figure out a way to produce and market junk. Operation Repo’s “executive office” is staffed by such unknowns as Francisco Aguilar, Luis Pizarro, Froylan Tercero, Sonia Pizarro, Matt Burch, Lyndah Pizarro, Tariq Jalil, Angel Annussek, Stephen Phillips, Manuel Morales, Paulo Martinez Medeles, and Eric Soliz.

The problem in today’s world is that when out-of-touch couch potatoes or latent trouble makers, rabble rousers, gang members and others see these things “on TV” they believe it to be true because they saw it on TV. Serious crimes have been committed after being exposed to TV programs, computer games and certain words and sounds on CDs referred to loosely as ‘music.’ Similarly, newspapers and magazines influence people and not always for noble causes. The world we live in today is volatile, uncertain, often frightening, with honesty, integrity, common sense and character falling to the bottom of our list of heroes. It is no wonder viewers, readers, and players live in a surreal environment where nothing is certain. Unstable personalities with a tendency toward unlawful behavior need only see or read some of these dramatizations to justify doing the same thing and thinking it’s okay. Not so!

There are TWO primary reasons that NFA (National Finance Adjusters Inc) is strongly opposed to Operation Repo and other such Reality (Junk) TV shows:

1. **Endangerment of innocent people.** Unstable personalities are attracted to such shows. When they see the daring and dramatic scenes they believe the thing to do when a “repo man” comes around is to exit the building shooting, fighting, or running over whomever happens to be there doing their job because the lender reports payments are in default. There have been far too many murders of innocent repossessioners by debtors. Injuries, disabilities, property damage, fires, and more have been caused because someone believes that “shoot-em-up” shows are depicting normal behavior.
2. **Fictional representation of an entire class of trained and certified professionals.** The characters shown on Reality TV and those shown in comic books or cheap magazines are fakes. A trained and certified asset recovery specialist member of NFA will have undergone a full background check, maintain a storage property for recovered collateral, been reviewed by his or her industry peers, met stringent NFA membership requirements, and are licensed and bonded.

Below are the websites, email addresses, and telephone numbers that NFA urges you to contact to register your opposition to this type careless and dangerous programming. The advertisers sponsoring these shows need to know how you feel and OFTEN. Keep the pressure on. That’s the ONLY way such junk TV as Operation Repo will leave the airwaves.

TruTV..... www.trutv.com/contacts/index.html **1-800-268-7856** (Press Option 3)
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