Public Adjuster – An asset for your citizens

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This presentation is dedicated to the outstanding men and women of the Cy-Fair Fire Department.

Topic

An ESD Commissioner explains how he received assistance from a
public adjuster after his own house fire. The session takes you though
his experience of discovering the fire, reporting it, and the aftermath.
All citizens should know what to expect, and their options, after the
fire service has left the scene.

Introductions

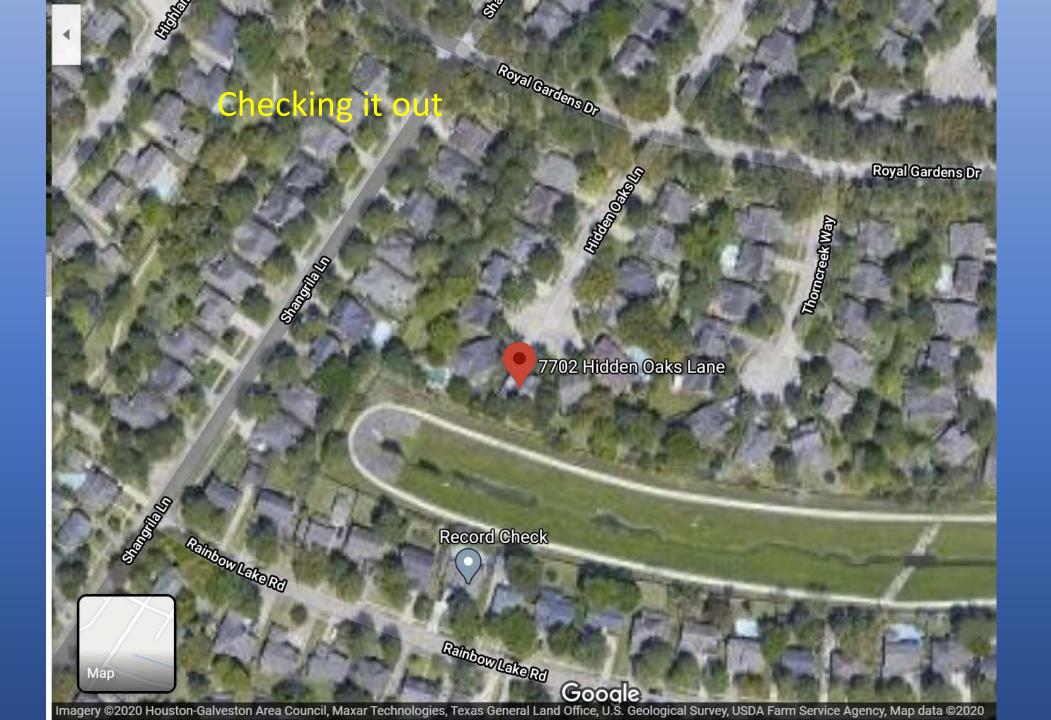
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What happens, when it is your house?

- The day March 6th 2019
- Ring video/In-house video
- 911 call
- Dispatch
- Radio/TAC channel
- Aftermath

What was the clue?

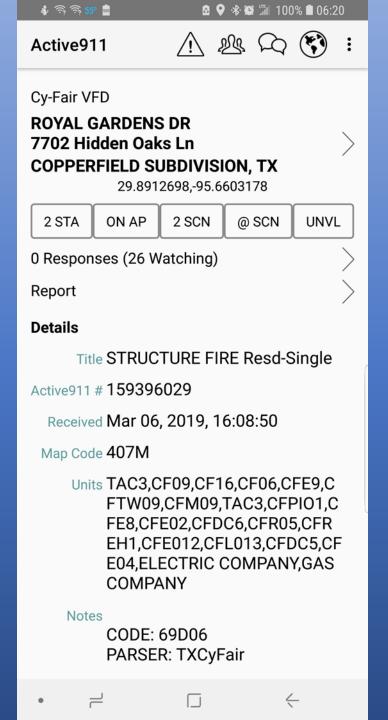
Firefighter nose





Dispatch









TAC Channel





















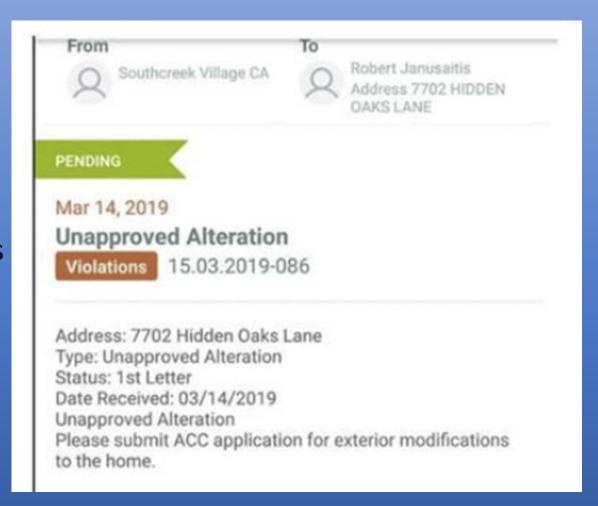


Out in the front yard, what next?

- Wrecker drivers
- What could possibly go wrong
- Txt from Ira Coveler and introduction to Dale
- The morning after

HOA?

- Why we hate HOA's.
 - Pic of letter
 - Presentation extracts





What have I learned?

• I would definitely hire a public adjuster again (hoping I never have to), because of the stress relief, and financial benefit.

WHAT DOES A PUBLIC ADJUSTER DO?

Licensed by the Texas Department of Insurance









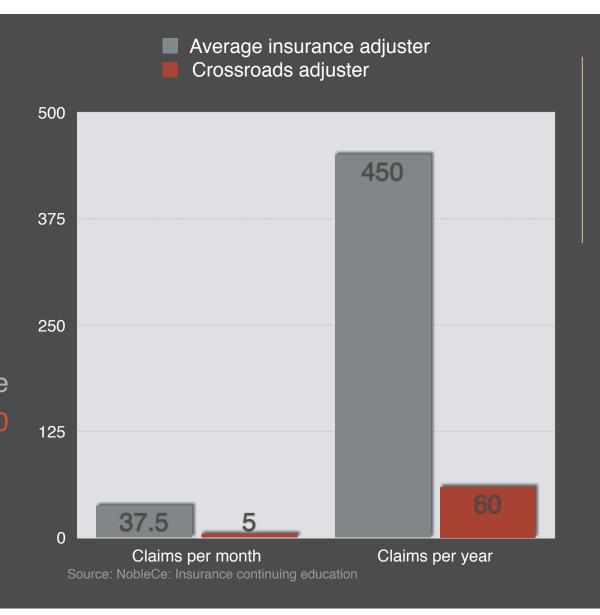
·A public adjuster is a fiduciary agent who works for the insured.

•The insurance company will send an adjuster who is also a fiduciary agent.

THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR

THE INSURANCE ADJUSTER

•The average insurance company adjuster has 300-600 claims per year



	Amount
Insurance Company Estimate	\$153,269.72
Public Adjuster Estimate	\$371,807.15
Difference	\$218,537.43

LET'S CRUNCH THE NUMBERS

PROVING YOUR LOSS

- It's your responsibility to prove your loss to the insurance company.
- You wouldn't let the IRS do your taxes.
- Why would you let your insurance company decide how much they think they you deserve?



THE SCIENTIFIC APPROACH



 New studies show the high levels of toxins & VOCs in fires.

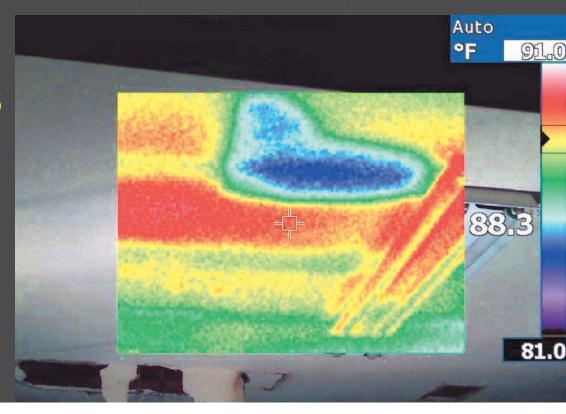


·We utilize the latest technology and expert analysis to fully understand the damage.

TO PROVE YOUR LOSS

WE TEST FOR:

- · CHEMICAL ANALYSIS
- MOISTURE MAPPING
- SMOKE MAPPING



WE GO WHERE THE INSURANCE COMPANY WON'T

How can you repair damage you don't see and you adjuster doesn't mention?

We find damage in places the insurance company doesn't even think to look.

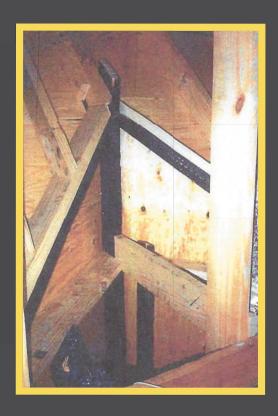


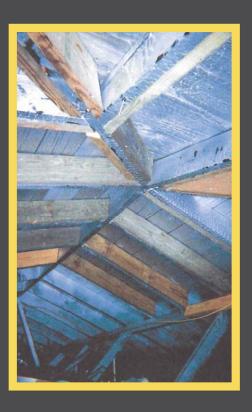


TECHNOLOGY THE INSURANCE COMPANY'S ADJUSTERS DON'T USE ALLOWS US TO SEE HIDDEN DAMAGES

How they fix your property matters.

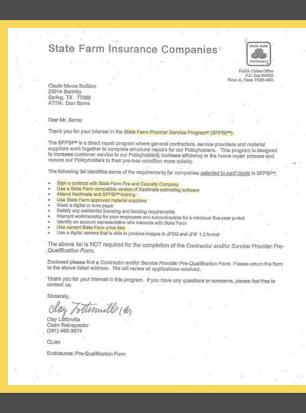
WHY DID I PAY EXTRA FOR REPLACEMENT COST?





IT IS AGAINST THE LAW FOR A CONTRACTOR TO ADJUST AN INSURANCE CLAIM

If your contractor already has a long term contract with the insurance company how can you be sure they're working in your interest not the insurance companies? Lets look at just what it takes to be a preferred vendor.



PUBLIC ADJUSTERS GET DIRTY







TO DOCUMENT YOUR CONTENTS

REPLACE VS RESTORE

- Fires release dangerous chemicals like Hydrogen Cyanide.
- There is no protocol to clean these chemicals.
- Is what I'm cleaning worth the money I'm spending to clean it?



WHAT AM I PAYING THE RESTORATION COMPANY TO

DO?



Pinnacle Disaster & Recovery Services

12507 Woodworth Drive Ste #400 Cypress, TX 77429

Recap by Category

Items	Total	%
CONT: CLEAN - GENERAL ITEMS	10,000.00	26.59%
CONT: PACKING, HANDLING, STORAGE	27,394.41	72.85%
Subtotal	37,394.41	99.44%
Material Sales Tax	210.52	0.56%
Total	37,604.93	100.00%



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Dear Mr.

This letter is in response to a letter sent to me by Ladonna Watson, M.D. concerning the safety of returning your home's contents after your July house fire.

It is in our best professional opinion that many items (including: furniture and general contents) may be fully restored after a fire. We have several different cleaning processes that may be used for deodorization and decontamination. With over 40 years experience in the restoration business it is our goal to restore your furnishings and general contents to pre-fire condition. However, one must consider that all fires and circumstances are different, due to these factors Blackmon Mooring CANNOT and WILL NOT guarantee 100% removal of smoke odor and contaminants.

If you have any questions regarding your fire loss and content cleaning please contact me.

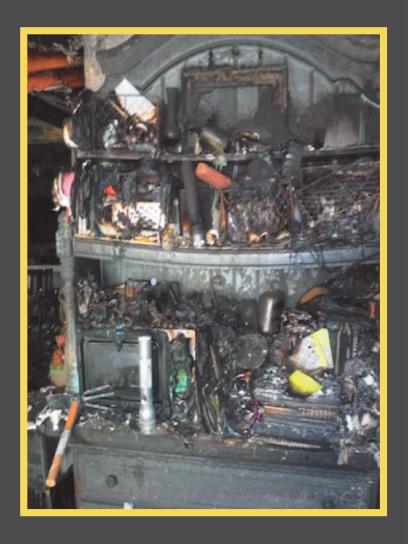
Thank you.

Jodie Neal

THE TRUTH ABOUT RESTORATION

IF A RESTORATION COMPANY WONT GUARANTEE THEIR WORK WHY ARE THEY TAKING YOUR THINGS?

Even in a small fire the smoke goes everywhere



PERSONAL PROPERTY

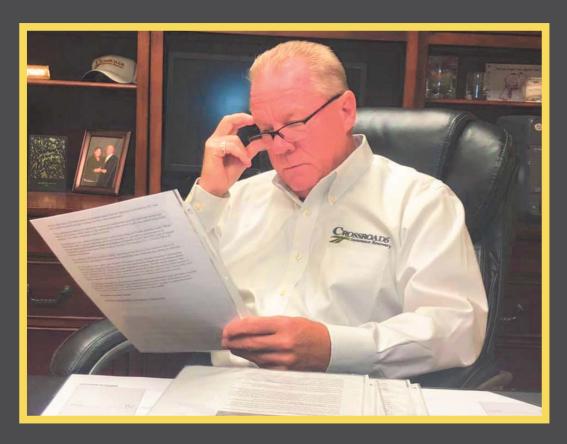
- It is YOUR responsibility to price and source every item in your claim.
- A 3000 item inventory takes
 175 hours to document

Rooms	Nationwide Line items	Crossroads Line Items		Nationwide RCV	Crossroads RCV
Entry Way/Closet	36	124		\$791.52	\$1,814.43
Attic	0	14		\$0.00	\$1,765.17
Master bed/bath/busin	ess 298	754		\$20,430.93	\$29,074.67
Garage	13	273		\$1,777.48	\$11,433.46
Garage Bedroom	18	70		\$5,774.69	\$6,898.09
Bedroom 1	73	64		\$10,759.37	\$6,704.60
Bedroom 2	45	81		\$3,797.93	\$3,776.83
Dining room	66	296		\$7,098.60	\$7,981.54
Kitchen	73	164		\$4,915.26	\$6,015.10
Back Porch room	0	427		\$0.00	\$18,945.22
Hall Closet	11	86		\$2,057.31	\$4,560.26
Laundry Room	33	. 40		\$4,317.59	\$4,824.49
Hall Bathroom	42	182		\$3,228.48	\$4,533.78
Living room	156	234		\$11,099.01	\$12,000.50
Total Line Items:	864	2809	Subtot	al \$76,048.17	\$120,328.14

THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT THING...

IS KNOWING WHAT YOUR POLICY COVERS

- We read through your policy line by line to make sure that you get the recovery you are rightfully owed.
- We are licensed through the Texas Department of Insurance
- Some recoveries come down to a single letter!

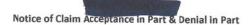


THE BOTTOM LINE

THE CROSSROADS DIFFERENCE

Payment Recap		
Replacement Cost Value	\$339,869.85	
Less Removed Line Items	-\$12,042.00	
Revised Replacement Cost	\$327,827.85	
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Less Non-Recoverable Depreciation	-\$417.43	
Less Deductible	-\$14,860.00	
Less Prior Payment	-\$82,736.22	
Additional Payment Due	\$229,814.20	





Important: If you have received a previous Notice of Claim Acceptance, Notice of Claim Denial, or Notice of Claim Acceptance in Part & Denial in Part on this claim, this Notice replaces the prior Notice(s) and the deadlines to dispute TWIA's coverage and payment determinations begin with your receipt of this Notice.

Date: 05/03/2018



We received notice on 8/29/2017 that your property sustained windstorm or hail damages on 8/25/2017. You asked us to consider the following damages for coverage under your policy, which we confirmed are covered by your policy:

- · Wind damage to roof, soffit, fascia, and gutters
- · Wind damage to windows, hurricane shutters, exterior doors, deck, and deck railings
- · Wind damage to siding, floor joist, exterior light fixtures, and electrical conduit
- · Rain water damage to drywall, insulation, flooring, carpeting, cabinetry, and trim work
- Rain water damage to light fixtures, ceiling fans, wall paper, window sills, and interior doors

We have accepted your claim in part. Our determination of the ressonable cost to repair the damage caused by windstorm or hail is reflected in the enclosed estimate and loss recap. A check in the amount of \$229,814.15 will be sent separately and represents the Replacement Cost (RC) of your loss, minus your deductible. This additional payment is based off your Public Adjuster's estimate, minus the allowance for 3 and 5 ton A/C units, tele handler/forklift, line items for permits and fees. Permits and fees are covered but, need to be incurred. Please submit any documentation to support line items.



Mr. and Mrs. Weise

HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

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Glossary