

Categories: Service Providers, Manufacturers and Retailers
Objective: Evaluate background and history when outsourcing major contracts, sensitive services, and large purchases.

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For: Larry Jenkins
IT Services, Inc.

Subjects: Chester's Cleaning Service
Chester Franklin

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Please refer to the "Executive Summary" and "Recommendations" sections of the report for analysis information.

Attention should be given to the following items:

- A state tax lien for \$17,013 was located in Florida. It was filed September 12, 2002, against Chester's Cleaning Service and Chester Franklin. It is reported to be "Open." The lien was filed for failure to remit taxes for employer and employee withholdings. See Sections A-8 and B-6, and Recommendations.
- Florida State Corporation Commission records report that Chester's Cleaning Service, LLC had its status forfeited in 2000. See Section A-2 and Recommendations.

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I. Executive Summary

A. Chester's Cleaning Service

207 Wally Ave., Ste. 200
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
DUNS #: 16-555-4444

INDUSTRY: Building Maintenance and Janitorial Services

1. The Dun & Bradstreet Report listed the company's name as Chester's Cleaning Service.

Chester's Cleaning Service provides building cleaning or maintenance services. Sell to 90% commercial, 10% general public. Territory: Local.

Dun & Bradstreet reported that the original business report for the company was created in 2000. Since Dun & Bradstreet can confirm ongoing operations from outside sources as of 2000, the report assumes the company's start date to be 2000.

One state tax lien was reported in Florida. Further information about this filing is located in **Section A-8**.

Dun & Bradstreet has not received a sufficient sample of payment experiences to establish a "Paydex" score. The lack of a "Paydex" score indicates that this company has had little to no activity with firms that report to Dun & Bradstreet (i.e., Federal Express, Office Depot and Xerox).

The Dun & Bradstreet Business Information Report listed Chester Franklin as the owner.

2. According to a source with the Florida Secretary of State, Chester's Cleaning Service is an inactive LLC that was filed on October 3, 1996 and forfeited on or prior to December 31, 2000. Chester Franklin is not listed on the record, but the address is one which appears on his address trace. No further information could be obtained, as the record was purged on December 31, 2000. **See Recommendations.**

A "suspended" or "forfeited" corporate status indicates that the company has failed either to pay taxes due to the Franchise Tax Board or to file a tax return.

3. No civil litigation or criminal (felony index) records were located in Florida at the Pinellas County Circuit Court.
4. No civil litigation or criminal records were located at the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida.

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5. A search of major publications did not locate any articles referencing Chester's Cleaning Service.
6. No references regarding Chester's Cleaning Service were located during an Internet-based information search.
7. A search of UCC filings at the Florida Secretary of State did not disclose any tax liens or judgments.
8. The following tax lien was located for Chester's Cleaning Service during a search of Pinellas County public records:

DATE FILED	TYPE OF LIEN	DATE RELEASED	AMOUNT
9/12/2002	State Tax Lien (Employer Withholding)	Open	\$17,013
TOTAL			\$17,013

This lien was also filed against Chester Franklin. This lien was filed for failure to remit taxes for employer and employee withholdings.

See Section B-6 and Recommendations.

9. A search of Pinellas County public records did not disclose any judgments.
10. A search of Florida statewide public records did not disclose any fictitious business name statements, UCC or bankruptcy filings.
11. No securities law violations identifiable with the subject were located at the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD), the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) or the Florida Department of Securities. Preliminary results received from the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) did not indicate any violations; however, a manual search is required in order to obtain complete results because the SEC does not have records from October 1, 1993 through April 30, 1995 available online. The SEC can take up to one month to complete this search, which has been ordered. If any violations are located, a supplemental report will be submitted.

Experience has shown that information about serious securities law violations is often presented in other data sources accessed during the course of this investigation (i.e., published articles and/or civil litigation). Therefore, at this point we feel the chances of finding this type of violation are minimal.
12. A Web site registration for this company could not be located.

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Search Results for Chester's Cleaning Service

Pinellas County, Florida Middle District	No Records Found	Records Found	Years Searched
Dun & Bradstreet		X	As Available
Circuit Court - Civil	X		10
Circuit Court - Criminal (felony index)	X		10
Federal District – Civil	X		10
Federal District – Criminal	X		10
Corporate Records		X	As Available
Fictitious Business Name Statements	X		As Available
Published Articles	X		10
Internet-Based Information	X		As Available
Tax Liens		X	10
Judgments	X		10
Bankruptcy Filings	X		10
UCC Filings	X		10
Securities Law Violations	X		As Available
Company Web Site	X		As Available

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Executive Summary Continued

B. Chester Franklin

**45550 Blano St.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
SSN: 222-00-9999
DOB: December 9, 1962**

The address traces for Chester Franklin indicated addresses only in Pinellas County, Florida (1999-2004). A full investigation was conducted in this jurisdiction.

The address trace for Chester Franklin indicated the following name variations: Chester A. Franklin, Chester Anthony Franklin. This investigation was conducted under all three names.

1. No civil litigation or criminal (felony index) records were located in Florida at the Pinellas County Circuit Court.
2. No civil litigation or criminal records were located at the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida.
3. A search of major publications did not locate any articles referencing Chester Franklin.
4. A single reference to Chester Franklin was located during an Internet-based information search. A record of his bowling scores at the Florida State Bowling Association's 2003 State Tournament was located at: www.floridabowlers.com
5. A search of UCC filings at the Florida Secretary of State did not disclose any tax liens or judgments.
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7. A search of Pinellas County public records did not disclose any judgments.
8. A search of Florida statewide public records did not disclose any officer/director records, fictitious business name statements, UCC or bankruptcy filings.
9. No securities law violations identifiable with the subject were located at the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD), the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) or the Florida Department of Securities. Preliminary results received from the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) did not indicate any violations; however, a manual search is required in order to obtain complete results because the SEC does not have records from October 1, 1993 through April 30, 1995 available online. The SEC can take up to one month to complete this search, which has been ordered. If any violations are located, a supplemental report will be submitted.

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10. No professional licensing information was located in Florida for Chester Franklin.

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Federal District – Criminal	X		10
Officer/Director Records	X		As Available
Fictitious Business Name Statements	X		As Available
Published Articles	X		10
Internet-Based Information	X		As Available
Tax Liens		X	10
Judgments	X		10
Bankruptcy Filings	X		10
UCC Filings	X		10
Securities Law Violations	X		As Available
Professional Licenses	X		As Available

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II. Recommendations

- A. Consider ordering a copy of the state tax lien noted in Sections A-8 and B-6 to determine the current status of the lien.**
- B. Consider inquiring about the “forfeited” corporate status of Chester’s Cleaning Service, LLC.**

END OF REPORT

All of the information reviewed by us was obtained from on-line electronic services and/or a manual search of public records. The records reviewed include information that begins at various dates.

The information contained in this report is made as of the date hereof, unless another date is specified. The delivery of this report shall not create an implication that the facts herein set forth have not changed since the date hereof, or such date otherwise specified.

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