

Well, John Ince's post below is timely... this is different in many respects, but also similar. I'm right this minute cleaning up a mess. An owner and "his wife" wanted to sell their lot on 7 1/2 Street in the city off of Cherry. The emails from the wife, the listing agreement signed by both parties..."The wife" had told me via email that "she was in agreement with everything but not available to participate fully, so please just deal with my hubby." I had completed all of the work and put a sign up on the property Friday, after getting deed and plat from the courthouse. I went home and input the listing, but something wasn't right. There had been a couple of discrepancies in our communication and I couldn't shake it. Plus, I was pretty sure there was Al going on, I pulled the plug. I told the owner I was sorry, but I would need to meet them in my office in order to proceed. There was blow-back, and I told him that was fine ... I would pick up the sign Saturday, blah blah blah. Honestly, I believed this was a scam by an outside source, some bad actors. Before I had a chance to get to the lot to remove the sign, I started getting screaming calls from some woman, and, it turns out, it was "the wife" who is not married to the man, though she shares his name and is on the deed. But, she knew nothing about this proposed sale, just saw the sign and totally lost it. I'll be gathering together all of the documents for her. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, Agents: The property is 503 7 1/2 Street, and the name of the owner who attempted this is in the tax records. He will probably try again, though imo, it's just a waste of time for him... I think he would be unable to complete the transaction locally. Still, I was just a couple of days into it, and it was a total PIMA, plus the woman is about to have a heart attack. I've suggested she call a lawyer.