



Superior Court of California County of Sonoma

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Notice of Unauthorized "Spam" Telephone Calls Regarding Jury Service

Court staff has received information that Sonoma County residents are the targets of a telephone scam in which the caller purports to be a member of law enforcement who threatens the person with a bench warrant for missed jury duty. The scam artist instructs the person to obtain a certain form of cash card payment to clear the alleged bench warrant. Please be advised the Court staff is not making these calls or sending these types of emails.

Please contact the Sonoma County Superior Court Jury office if you have any questions regarding jury duty at (707) 521-6640. See attached Press Release.



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PRESS RELEASE

The Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma Alerts the Public of Jury Scam

SANTA ROSA – The Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma urges members of the public to be aware of an ongoing telephone scam related to jury service.

The Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma learned of a telephone scam in which the caller claims to be a representative of law enforcement and tells the victim that there is a warrant out for their arrest due to failure to appear for jury service. The caller indicates the only remedy to clear the warrant requires the victim to load the money into a credit card and submit it to the caller. The caller provides their law enforcement title and a badge number to the victim. More recently, the caller identified himself as “Lt. Haines” and instructed the victim to report to the jail to sign an affidavit.

The Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma jury does NOT call or email members of the public requesting money. The Sheriff’s Office does NOT have an employee named “Lt. Haines” nor do they make any calls regarding jury services.

If you receive a call that is similar to the scenario described above, please hang up and call local law enforcement to report this incident. Likewise, if you receive unsolicited email requesting money to take care of an outstanding warrant, please delete, as these are generated by opportunist scammers. For general information about your jury service you may call the court at (707) 521-6640.