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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY JURY COMMISSIONER CAUTIONS COMMUNITY ABOUT SCAM

Nogales, AZ- The jury office in the Arizona Superior Court in Santa Cruz County has been made aware that Pima County Jury Officials have received phone calls from residents reporting a possible juror scam. The information from Pima County indicates that the individuals have been contacted by phone by the potential scammer who informs them that there is an outstanding warrant for their arrest for failure to appear for jury duty. The caller further instructs the resident that they have two hours to get \$2,000 to a specified location. The caller also states that failure to comply with instructions will result in the arrest of the resident. It has been reported that the scammer sites a Deputy District Attorney's Office as well as a judge as authorities that they are calling on behalf of. The judge or the Deputy District Attorney's Office that they site do not exist.

If you are contacted by an individual who is informing you that you have an outstanding warrant for failing to appear for jury service, hang up and contact the Santa Cruz County Clerk of the Court/Jury Commissioner's office at 520-375-7700 and a staff member will be able to verify whether or not you have an outstanding summons for jury service. You should further contact the police and notify them that you have been contacted by this fictitious character.

"It is important to note that in Santa Cruz County the Clerk of the Court and Jury Commissioner's Office reaches out to residents by sending them a Questionnaire and Notice which residents must complete via the internet or by hand and return it to our office by U.S Mail," said Clerk of the Court Juan Pablo Guzman. "Also, in Santa Cruz County citizens are summoned to appear for Jury Duty by phone; therefore, you may receive a phone call from our staff after you submit your Jury Questionnaire only to give you instructions regarding your appearance for Jury Selection. We strongly suggest verifying that the call is coming from our office."

The Santa Cruz Jury Commissioner's Office urges the community to verify that calls regarding Jury Issues are coming from the Clerk of the Court/Jury Commissioner's Office phone number 520-375-7700. Also, if you receive a call from the Jury Office, the staff member must identify themselves. You may request to hang-up in order to call our number and make sure that the call is valid. Jury Office personnel will only contact citizens to provide instruction on when and where to appear for Jury Selection and not to obtain money for failure to appear for Jury Service.

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