

Media Release

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[Superior Court of Fulton County Issues Warning to Avoid Jury Scam](#)

Scammers requesting payment to avoid jail time

September 24, 2014, Atlanta, GA — The Superior Court of Fulton County is issuing a warning to all Fulton County residents regarding a telephone scam connected to jury appearances. Citizens are being targeted by phone calls, threatening them with prosecution for failing to comply with jury service in federal or state courts.

In the calls, recipients are pressured to obtain money orders in various amounts of \$300 to \$2500. These calls, which threaten recipients with jail time if they do not comply, are fraudulent and are not connected with the Superior Court of Fulton County.

Jury duty is a vital civic responsibility and should be taken seriously by all citizens. However, it is a crime for anyone to falsely represent himself or herself as a court official. The judiciary takes seriously such an offense.

Persons receiving such a telephone call should not provide the requested payment, and should notify the Jury Services office immediately. The perpetrators promoting the scam will provide names of judges, courtroom numbers, addresses, etc. in an attempt to make the scam credible. The public is reminded that this is not protocol of Fulton County Jury Services. This is a scam. The public should not provide personal identifying information over the phone and need to verify the veracity of the call before providing any form of payment.

If anyone should receive a call as described above, please contact Fulton County Jury Services 404-612-4600 immediately.



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