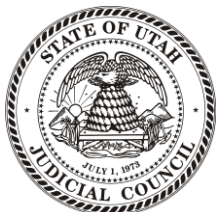


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JURY DUTY SCAM PERSISTS

Utah State Courts Advise Residents Not to Give Out Personal Identifying Information

Salt Lake City, Utah— The Utah State Courts is advising residents not to be fooled by a jury duty scam that continues to persist throughout the nation.

The scam involves an individual who claims to be a court employee calling a member of the public alleging they failed to report for jury service and indicating a warrant has been issued for their arrest. The caller requests personal identifying information—such as birthday, social security number, and sometimes credit card numbers—from the individual in order to cancel the arrest warrant.

“The state courts rarely if ever call a potential juror,” said State Court Administrator Dan Becker. “If a potential juror is contacted, the courts would never request personal identifying information.” Becker encouraged any resident who receives such a call not to release identifying information and to report the incident to their local law enforcement agency.

For more information on jury duty, go to the Utah State Courts’ website at www.utcourts.gov/juryroom.

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