

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



CLERK'S OFFICE WARNS OF JURY PHONE AND EMAIL SCAM

The United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire would like to warn the public of a scam in which callers pose as Deputy U.S. Marshals or other government officials and claim that the victim is about to be arrested for not appearing for jury duty but can avoid arrest by paying a fine.

If you receive a call like this, do not provide any information to the caller. You are encouraged to report the incident to the U.S. Marshals Service at (603) 225-1632.

The scammers may provide convincing information, including about the victim (e.g., addresses, date of birth, etc.), real names of federal judges, court employees, or law enforcement officers, actual court addresses, court phone numbers, and case and badge numbers. Scammers may even "spoof" the phone number on the caller ID so that the call looks like it is from the court or a government agency. The caller may then tell the victim that the victim can avoid arrest by paying an immediate fine and walk the victim through purchasing a prepaid debit or gift card or making an electronic payment.

Remember:

- The court will always send a jury summons by the U.S. Postal Service.
- A court will never ask for your social security number or financial information by phone or email. Never give out financial information by email or phone.
- The court will never call or email you to advise you to pay a fine.
- To confirm whether you have actually been summoned for jury service in federal court, please call the clerk's office at (603) 225-1423.