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SUPERIOR COURT ISSUES WARNING ABOUT JURY DUTY PHONE SCAM

The Superior Court of Delaware has been made aware of a phone scam targeting Delaware citizens where the caller claims to represent jury services, makes threats and then demands money.

According to one victim, they received a phone call from a person – not an auto-dial computer – from what appears to be a Delaware-based phone number. The caller claims to be representing a court and threatens to have the person arrested for missing jury duty unless the person brings two 7-11 vouchers [Money Pak] in the amount of \$494.00 each, to a specific location.

The scam also includes someone who refers to themselves as a “Major” and someone who is identified as a judge on the line. The victim is told to appear at the Leonard L. Williams Courthouse within an hour with the two vouchers or they will be arrested. Finally, the target is told that once their name is cleared, they will be reimbursed with a check.

The Superior Court wants to assure the public that this is not a legitimate call and that no one with Superior Court or jury services would ever threaten immediate arrest in this way and **under no circumstances** would money be demanded. Delaware’s courts always notify Delawareans eligible for jury duty about their obligation to serve jury duty by mail; **never by telephone**.

If you do receive a call about jury duty, you can check to see if you have been summoned by calling Delaware Superior Court Jury Services at [302-255-0800](tel:302-255-0800) for New Castle County, [302-735-1901](tel:302-735-1901) for Kent County, and [302-855-7055](tel:302-855-7055) for Sussex County.