



Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan



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For Immediate Release

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Subject: JURY SERVICE SCAM

Detroit, MI - Third Circuit Court Chief Judge Timothy M. Kenny is alerting all Wayne County residents that there is currently another scam being perpetrated regarding jury duty. Scammers are calling citizens and telling them that they have missed jury duty and they must either meet someone somewhere or provide banking, credit card, or gift card information in order to avoid being jailed.

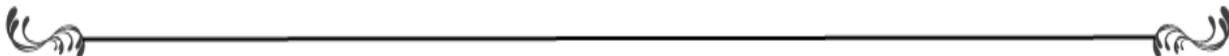
Most scams involve an innocent person receiving a call advising she missed jury service and there is a citation for a bench warrant. The citation must be paid immediately or she will be subject to arrest or an arrest warrant will be issued. The scam artist may identify himself as a law enforcement or court deputy and provide a badge number and phone number. The scam artist may ask for the person's name, address, social security number. The scam artist may tell the person to stay on the phone and not attempt to disconnect. The scam artist may direct the person meet them with cash or purchase gift cards and provide the numbers off the back of the card to pay the citation. **THIS IS A SCAM.**

The Third Judicial Circuit Court does not initiate calls about missed jury service.

The Third Judicial Circuit Court will not ask for your social security number or other private information.

If you receive a call about missed jury service, do not respond to this phone call or pay anyone any sum of money. Obtain as much information as you can about the caller and report it to your local police department.

If you missed jury duty in the Third Judicial Circuit Court, you will not receive a phone call requesting money and threatening arrest. You may contact the Court if you failed to appear for jury duty. If you were to serve at the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, please call 313-224-5650. If you were to serve at Frank Murphy Hall of Justice, please call 313-224-2507. If you do not call, you may receive a Show Cause Order requiring your presence in Court on a specific date to explain why you missed court.



The Mission of Third Judicial Circuit Court is to provide accessible and equal justice with timely dispute resolution. **The Third Judicial Circuit** has jurisdiction over Civil, Criminal, and Family matters arising in the County of Wayne. The National Center for State Courts has cited the Third Circuit Court as one of the model urban courts in the United States for case flow management and the timely disposition of the Court's docket. For more information, visit our website www.3rdcc.org, follow us at Twitter@3rdccorg, and like us on Facebook @3rdccorg.