Scams Related to Jury Service

The Court has received information that individuals are contacting jurors that are not currently scheduled for jury duty via phone, email, and/or text, claiming to be court officials or law enforcement officers, and requesting personal information or payment to avoid legal action for missing jury duty.

To protect yourself from falling victim to these scams, please keep the following in mind:

1. Legitimate Court Communication: Courts typically communicate with potential jurors by mail. Be cautious of unsolicited phone calls, emails, and/or messages claiming to be from the Court, unless you have previously registered for email and text message reporting instruction reminders.

2. Personal Information: Court employees will never ask for sensitive information like Social Security numbers, credit card details, and/or personal financial information over the phone and/or email.

3. Payment Requests: Courts do not require payment to avoid legal action for missing jury duty. Do not provide any form of payment in response to such requests.

4. Verify Legitimacy: If you receive a suspicious communication regarding jury duty, independently verify the information by contacting the Court directly using the official contact information available at <u>www.lacourt.org</u>.

5. Report Suspicious Activity: If you believe you have been targeted by a juror scam, report it to the appropriate authorities, such as the local police department or the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Your vigilance and awareness are key to preventing these scams. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact the Court. A list of phone numbers for all court locations can be found <u>here.</u>