



Clerk COMMUNICATION

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RE: **Jury Duty / Arrest Warrant Scam Reported In Sarasota County**

SARASOTA, FL— The Clerk of the Circuit Court and County Comptroller warns citizens of the resurgence of a common jury duty scam: **Citizens are being called and informed that there is a warrant for their arrest for having missed jury duty.** The caller presents themselves as a county Sheriff.

Please note that **neither Sheriffs nor Clerk of Court employees make requests of jurors for payment of fines over the telephone, and do not request personal financial information.**

Protecting yourself against telephone-based scams is simple: **Before acting on an unsolicited request for money regarding jury service, contact the Clerk's Jury Office at (941) 861-7425 to confirm whether the caller's claims are legitimate.** Unless you have initiated the call, never give out your personal information over the telephone.

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