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Adams County Courts-Fines and Costs Scam

GETTYSBURG – The Adams County Court of Common Pleas is warning the public about a fines and costs scam targeting Adams County residents.

Scammers are targeting individuals through phone calls, claiming to be from a specific Magisterial District Court or other Court Office. The scammers may be using Caller ID Spoofing to make it appear that the call is coming from the Court Office on your caller ID display. The scammer then advises the caller that they have fines and costs owed to the Court and that the payment can be processed over the phone.

The Court will never call residents and ask for payment information (credit card numbers, gift card numbers, bank account numbers, or other specific payment details) for restitution, reparation, fees, costs, fines and penalties over the phone under any circumstance. If you receive a call like this and are asked to provide any form of payment, bank account numbers and/or social security numbers, hang up immediately and contact your local police as well as the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Protection at (800) 441-2555 or scams@attorneygeneral.gov. In addition, it is recommended that all residents review the Caller ID Spoofing guide from the Federal Communications Commission at <https://www.fcc.gov/spoofing>.