



County of San Bernardino  
Department of Aging and Adult Services  
(DAAS)

# SCAM ALERT

## Scam: Jury Duty Scheme Target: All Seniors

Someone may telephone you and impersonate a Court employee. They may pretend to be calling about jury duty. They may tell you that you failed to appear and request that you to verify information such as your social security number, address, driver's license number or other personal information. If you refuse, they may threaten you with a bench warrant. The Court will never call you regarding jury duty. They communicate via U.S. Mail service.

The FBI, several States, the Better Business Bureau, the San Bernardino County Superior Court of California and numerous citizen watch groups across our nation have observed and reported on the dangers of this scam since 2001. The con artists are still pulling this scheme on unsuspecting individuals. **Don't be caught off guard!**

For several years, information thieves have attempted this scam. The con artist may also say that money is owed to you from previous jury duty and that they need your bank account number for the deposit. **This is a scam!** Some of the questions may seem innocent. **They are not!**

**Scam: Thieves posing as Court personnel will telephone you and attempt to obtain your personal information!!!**

These tips may help reduce identity theft if anyone asks for your information on the telephone:

1. **Do not let a voice on the telephone intimidate you.** If they threaten you, call the Police.
2. **Tell them you do not know who they are talking about and just hang up!**
3. **Do not acknowledge any personal information to the caller, including your name.**
4. **Do not provide any personal information to callers such as your exact name, social security number, driver's license number, birthplace and birth date or credit card numbers.**
5. **You may always call your local Court to check your jury summons status.**

Remember: Protect your personal information.

**If you think you may be a victim of a scam, contact  
San Bernardino County Adult Protective Services (APS)  
at 877-565-2020, or your local Police department.**