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**WARNING  
BOGUS PHONE CALLS ABOUT JURY SERVICE MAY LEAD TO FRAUD**

Nebraska citizens continue to be targeted by callers threatening prosecution for failing to comply with federal jury service.

In the calls, the threat of a fine for shirking jury service is used to coerce those called into providing confidential data, which could lead to identity theft and fraud.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska wants citizens to know that these calls are not from real court officials.

Federal courts do not require prospective jurors to provide sensitive information in telephone calls. Most federal court contact with a prospective juror will be through the U.S. Mail. Real court officials would never request prospective jurors' social security numbers, credit card numbers, or any other sensitive information over the phone.

Jury duty is a vital civic responsibility and should be taken seriously by all citizens. However, it is a crime for anyone to falsely represent himself or herself as a federal court official.

Persons receiving telephone calls threatening prosecution for failure to report to jury duty should not provide sensitive information about themselves or family members. Please report these calls to the local FBI (402-493-8688) or to the Clerk of Court's office of the U.S. District Court (402-661-7350).

For more information about federal jury service, please go to the court's Web site, <http://www.ned.uscourts.gov/juror>.

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