



ANNOUNCEMENT:

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Beware Email Scams and Phishing Attacks

Clerk of the Superior Court Michael Jeanes cautions residents and litigants to avoid emails intended as attacks.

The Clerk's Office has received questions from the public about suspicious emails. The emails state they are an order to appear or a notice of appearance in court. Some emails suggest failure to appear will result in a case being held without you or indicate a response is required to an attached document. Other emails ask the recipient to click a link. The emails include a generic signature line saying "Clerk of Court" or "Clerk to the Court."

Signs of a scam include emails from a return email address ending in .com or other non-governmental addresses, attachments with a filename ending in .zip, and receiving emails about court cases when you are not a party to a court case.

Legitimate emails from the Clerk's Office in Maricopa County will include a .maricopa.gov extension in the email address. However, scammers and phishing attacks may be able to "spoof" an email address or make it appear as if an email is from someone in the Clerk's Office. To protect against these attacks, carefully check the "From" field of any email stating it is from the Clerk of the Superior Court's Office. Do not open attachments or click on links if you suspect the email is fraudulent.

Information about cases filed in the Superior Court in Maricopa County, including scheduled hearings, can be located online by doing a name or case number search at <http://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/docket/index.asp>.

For court document questions, call the Clerk's Office at 602-372-5375 (602) 37-CLERK).



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