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San Diego Superior Court Warns Public about E-Mail Scams

For the second time in a month, the San Diego Superior Court is alerting the public about scammers utilizing the court's name. Concerned citizens have contacted staff explaining they have received unsolicited emails claiming to be from the San Diego Superior Court. One of the individuals, who has an issue before the court, opened the email's attachment and discovered the attachment contained a virus.

At least two other courts (Los Angeles Superior Court and San Francisco Superior Court) have received complaints of similar frauds.

"It's important to reiterate to the public that we do not communicate with those with issues before the court via unsolicited e-mail or telephone. If anyone tries to contact you regarding "missed jury duty" or cases of which you are unaware, you should delete the email or disregard the phone call," says Michael Roddy, Executive Officer of the San Diego Superior Court.

You are advised not to open any attachment or link which may be included in the unsolicited e-mails; doing so may expose your computer to a virus.

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Last month the Court reported it had received complaints about individuals trying to defraud members of the public by pretending to be court officers or officials, via the telephone.

The court advised those who received such a phone calls to simply hang up and, if the scammer persisted, call their local law enforcement agency.

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