



## Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

# MEDIA RELEASE



## NEW TWIST ON MISSED JURY PHONE SCAM

**Hamilton County, July 20, 2016** – Hamilton County Sheriff Jim Neil reports a new twist on the old "missed jury duty phone scam". The caller identifies himself as a Hamilton County Sheriff's Lieutenant and is using actual names of Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Employees. The caller then claims, they have missed a court appearances and/or jury duty and demands payment to avoid immediate arrest or the issuance of an arrest warrant. The caller then instructs the individuals to provide payment utilizing a credit card or prepaid debit card.

Residents should be aware that the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office will never contact you via telephone and ask you to pay a fine for failing to appear for jury service.

If you should receive a call of this nature, never give out personal information or account numbers, simply hang up.

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