Notice: Beware of Fraudulent Court Scams

The Clerk of the Superior Court urges residents of Maricopa County to remain vigilant against fraudulent emails or phone calls from individuals posing as government officials. Recent reports have revealed a concerning uptick in scams where recipients are falsely informed of impending arrest warrants, demanding immediate payment to evade arrest. These scammers often insist on prepaid debit or gift cards as a form of payment, accompanied by fake court documents to enhance credibility.

Please exercise caution if you encounter any communication that:

- Requests credit/debit card/gift card numbers, wire transfers, or bank routing numbers.
- Solicits sensitive information such as your date of birth or social security number.
- Refuses to provide a receipt.
- Utilizes aggressive tactics or threatens legal repercussions for non-compliance.

Look out for telltale signs including:

- Convincing details about the victim, federal judges, or court personnel.
- Caller ID manipulation to appear as official court or government agency numbers.
- Coercion into immediate payment via prepaid cards to avoid arrest.

These notices, threatening fines and imprisonment, are unequivocally fraudulent and have no affiliation with the Maricopa County Superior Court or Clerk's Office.

Reporting Suspected Scams:

If you suspect fraudulent activity, please report it to:

- Local law enforcement
- Arizona Attorney General's Office
- Federal Trade Commission

For further assistance in identifying and reporting scams, visit the USA.gov website's "Scams and Fraud" section at https://www.usa.gov/scams-and-fraud.