

# **Caller ID indicates calls are from Pierce County Courts or Clerk of Court, but they are not.**

From Pierce County Sheriff's Dept:

"The Pierce County Sheriff's Dept wants to warn members of the public not to be taken-in by a telephone scam in which they get a live person on the phone or a voicemail asking them to call a 1-844 -582-0100 about money they owe on an outstanding court matter, and provide your bank account information or lien to vehicles to make payment and resolve the matter.

What differentiates these calls from other scams is that the caller ID system has been manipulated and shows the Pierce County Courthouse phone numbers such as Clerk of Court or the County Clerk's Office-issued telephone number on the caller ID display. Please be advised that the Pierce County Courts never solicit payments via telephone. All official court correspondence is processed through the U.S. Postal Service.

**The public is advised not to respond to these telephone calls.**

**We have on-going investigations and want the public to know that these are scams by alleged scammers who are using Pierce County Courthouse numbers in an attempt to gain your personal information.**

**We are looking into how the scammers have attained the courthouse numbers and using them fraudulently.**