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## <u>Warning: Scam Emails received by</u> <u>Individuals from the Public in the District of New Mexico</u>

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. – The United States District Court for the District of New Mexico has recently been notified of individuals targeted with emails from scammers representing themselves as the Clerk of Court. The targets have been informed they have been chosen to serve as a potential juror for a two-month term of service and are asked to complete the "Juror Qualifications Questionnaire" and "Voir Dire Questionnaire" by visiting a website. The emails come from a "Jury Service" email (jurors@clerkofcourt.org) which is not an email associated to the United States District Court, and include a link that does not route individuals to any website hosted by the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico.

The U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico does not send out jury summons via email. Targeted individuals may contact the United States District Court at 505-348-2000 to verify they are not being summoned for jury service and should not click on any links embedded in the email.

It is a crime for anyone to falsely represent himself or herself as a federal court official and such an offense is taken very seriously by the federal judiciary. Persons receiving such an email **should not provide the requested information nor click on any links within the email** and should contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at (505) 889-1300, selecting option #1 when prompted, to report the incident.

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