



Economic Crimes

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Fraud-Scam Alert

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Cashier's Check Refund Solicitation Scam

Arlington Police warn about con artists posing as customers attempting to pass counterfeit cashier's checks.

Basic Scam Information:

- Victim has placed an advertisement to sell something either in a written publication or on the Internet
- Suspect makes contact either by phone or e-mail
- Suspect claims to be from out of the country
- Victim is told that the only way the sell is possible is to accept a cashier's check greater than the amount of purchase and refund the overage back to the suspect

What can happen:

- Victim can unknowingly commit a criminal act by attempting to pass a fictitious cashier's check
- Victim could be inadvertently arrested for forgery and incur legal expenses while trying to demonstrate innocence

Avoid becoming a victim:

- Do not engage in suspicious business transactions with unknown individuals
- Contact the police when suspicious or unsure about questionable business actions