

WARNING
Bogus Phishing E-Mail about Jury Service

Citizens have reported receiving phishing emails that asks recipients to provide personal identifiers such as social security numbers, date of birth, mother's maiden name, etc. on an attached PDF form and email this information back to the originator.

Federal courts do not require anyone to provide any personal identification information be sent directly in an email response. Requests by courts to complete a qualification questionnaire are initiated by formal written correspondence and provide instructions for the juror participant to be authenticated over a secure connection.

Jury duty is a vital civic responsibility and should be taken seriously by all citizens. However, it is a crime for anyone to falsely represent himself or herself as a federal court official. The federal judiciary takes seriously such an offense.

Citizens receiving a phishing email should not provide the requested information and should notify the Jury Staff in the Division closest to their residence. The Western District of Virginia Jury Staff may be reached at:

Abingdon Division 276-628-5116

Big Stone Gap Division 276-523-3557

Charlottesville Division 434-296-9284

Danville Division 434-793-7147

Harrisonburg Division 540-434-3181

Lynchburg Division 434-847-5722

Roanoke Division 540-857-5103