Oldham County Sheriff's Office Community Services Unit Media Release

To: All Concerned

From: Sheriff Timothy R. Wakefield

Date: 11/13/2023

Re: Media Release Regarding Scams

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Subject: Scam Warrant Phone Calls

Residents of Oldham County are again receiving phone calls from an individual claiming to be with the Oldham County Sheriff's Office Warrant Division, stating that they have an outstanding warrant, usually for missing jury duty.

The scammer claims there is an outstanding warrant and if the resident being called will deposit hundreds of dollars onto a prepaid card, purchased at a local store, and will provide that information to the caller, the warrant will be recalled avoiding arrest.

This is the same type of scam that occurs throughout the year, where residents receive phone calls from an individual claiming to be a deputy sheriff with the Oldham County Sheriff's Office.

THESE PHONE CALLS ARE SCAMS. The Oldham County Sheriff's Office or any law enforcement agency, including the IRS will never call by phone and ask for money to be transferred via a pre-paid or credit card, or any other means by phone.

Citizens are reminded to never deposit or wire money in this manner to anyone claiming to be law enforcement or

otherwise. Personal or financial information should also never be given over the phone or internet.

Any contact with these individuals should be avoided and reported to Oldham County Dispatch at (502) 222-0111. Questions may also be directed to the Better Business Bureau at (502) 583-6546 or BBB.org and the Kentucky Attorney General at https://ag.ky.gov/consumer-protection/complaints.