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Merchants of Washington County:

If you have received a check refused for insufficient funds (NSF), our office is here to prosecute this crime and recover the money owed to you free of charge. There is no charge to you for this service because all costs are paid by the check writer. We prosecute all NSF checks of amounts less than \$2,500.00 issued both to businesses and individuals. Just a reminder, when bringing a check into our office, please bring the signed affidavit with it as well. You can find it on our website www.co.washington.tx.us

When you bring a check, it will be logged into our system and a search will be made to see if the writer has any other hot check cases pending. If there is, your check will be combined with the check previously filed to expedite your restitution. If not, we will attempt to notify the writer that a case is about to be filed against them. If they do not make restitution or pay the prosecutor fees, we will file the case with the Washington County Court at Law.

When accepting a check, please make sure the writers' drivers' license number and date of birth are written down. Without this information it can drastically slow down the process. Even if the DL number is pre-printed, it is best to ask to see the license to verify by the person accepting the check.

Jan – May 2017 Theft by Check cases filed

Melissa Lira Lisa M. Nix Esther L. Paldo Lana Shock Donald Smith

We are sharing these names with you as a precautionary measure for you and your business. Accepting checks from these individuals in the future is entirely up to you.



If at any time you have any questions regarding Hot Checks or Theft of Service, please feel free to give Nicole Naumann, Hot Check Coordinator a call at (979) 277-6200