

Residential Reentry Management Branch

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL REENTRY CENTER & HOME CONFINEMENT RESIDENTS

FROM: Dana R. DiGiacomo, Administrator

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RE: Scams Targeting Bureau of Prisons Adults in Custody and Their Families

The Bureau of Prisons (BOP) has been alerted of a phone scam impacting adults in custody and their families where callers are identifying themselves as BOP employees in an attempt to secure money for release to pre-release custody. The BOP does not contact adults in custody or their families for personal information or money surrounding release to pre-release custody.

Also, there appears to be other scams affecting adults in custody and their families where callers are also identifying as Federal Probation Officers and members of the U.S. Parole Commission in attempt to gain personal information or money for early release and/or relocation approvals. Again, these agencies do not request money nor do they contact members of the public regarding any release decisions except for victims who have the legal right to provide input into parole decisions.

If you or a family member receive a phone call from persons purporting to be employees of the BOP, the United States Probation Office, and/or the United States Parole Commission related to the potential release of an adult in custody, report these calls to the Federal Trade Commission online, https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/#/, or by phone at 1-877-382-4357 (9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.).