12TH DISTRICT ROGERS, CRAIG, MAYES STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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BOGUS CHECK RESTITUTION PROGRAM

The following guidelines are provided to better assist you in submitting checks to our office. All information provided on the Merchant Complaint Form is utilized toward the collection or criminal prosecution of each check submitted.

Information for Collection Process and Criminal Prosecution of a Check:

- Check writer's current address
- Home phone & mobile phone number
- Driver's license number (ask to see ID and write down DL/ID number) or Witness who can identify the check writer

Checks that **DO** qualify: (You must be able to answer YES to all the questions below.)

- 1. Was the check...passed within District 12? (Rogers County Craig County Mayes County)
- 2. Was the check...payment for merchandise, cash, or services?
- 3. Was the check...returned for Insufficient Funds (NSF), Account Closed or No Account Found from the bank and stamped as such?
- 4. Was the check...deposited within 30 days of the received date?
- 5. Was the driver's license number written on the check by the person accepting the check, or can the person accepting the check personally identify the check writer?
 - *** Always ask to see their photo ID. Always write their I.D. number on the check.

Checks that **DO NOT** qualify:

- 1. Payment for post-dated, hold, or a two-party checks.
- 2. Checks in which you have accepted partial payment.
- 3. Frozen/Blocked, Forgery, Signature Irregular, or Stop Payment on the check.

WHAT TO SEND TO OUR OFFICE?

Merchant Complaint Form, official bank copy of check and a copy of the check writer's ID.

The **NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROSECUTE** form is an optional form. You are not obligated by law to notify the check writer, however if you do, please provide us with copy of any correspondence you mailed them for our records.

COLLECTION PROCESS:

When a check is submitted to our office, a notice is sent to the check writer. We also attempt to reach the check writer by phone. This is to inform them of the crime they have committed, as well as the penalties provided by the Oklahoma

Bogus Check Statute. If the check writer fails to pay, we issue a warrant for their arrest and it becomes part of their criminal record.

Thank you for your trust in the District Attorney's Bogus Check Program. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we may be of service to you.

Bogus Check Office hours of operation

Monday – Friday, 8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. (Except government holidays)

CLOSED FROM LUNCH 12:00-1:00

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If you are unsure that a check will qualify, please call our office to verify before you send it to us.

After submitting a check to our office for collection, payment CANNOT be accepted by the merchant. If the check writer contacts you to make a payment, please refer them to our office.

Mail or bring all forms and information to: Bogus Check Restitution Program

(Keep a copy for your records) 12th Prosecutorial District

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