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"Telephone Scam Alert"

On September 15, 2015, Coalinga residents began receiving telephone calls from an unknown caller, from telephone number (844) 259-1693, claiming to be a case agent with W.M. Active Litigation out of Orange County, California. The caller requested a return telephone call and provided a case or file number for reference.

When called back, residents were informed that a lawsuit was pending against a member of their family. The caller was asked to verify personal information such as name, and date of birth.

The investigation into this matter has revealed that the telephone number is a scam number. It is believed that the caller is attempting to obtain personal identifying information for other than legitimate purposes.

Should you receive any similar calls, residents are being advised to be cautious about providing or verifying any personal information. If you are contacted, immediately notify the Coalinga Police Department dispatch center at (559) 935-1525.

"All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law"