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## Investigation & Prosecution of financial elder abuse



September 30th, 2010 Webinar

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## What a week!

# Vulnerable/dependent adult vs. Elder criteria

#### One definition of Vulnerable Adult:

"18+ - unable to manage and take care of self or his/her money, assets or property without assistance as a result of advanced age or physical or mental disability"

## 

## Misconceptions...

Elderly people make terrible witnesses

## AVOID STEREOTYPING OF SENIORS

- Forgetful
- Senile
- Longwinded
- Grumpy
- Disabled
- Fragile





•If elderly victim gives the money voluntarily, it is not a crime

There are times when the apparent voluntariness has been diluted by fraud, undue influence or by exploiting the mental limitations of the victim

If the financial institution reimburses the elderly victim and then declines to seek prosecution, we have no victim

- Once a victim, always a victim!
- Restitution can NEVER remove the stigma

•If victim is deceased before we discover the theft, we cannot prosecute

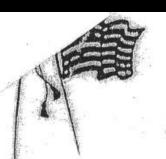
- •Wrong!
- Treat such a case as if it were a murder
- There are some situations in which we do not need the victim for a prosecution

Any case where the elderly victim is involved in a home repair & there is a dispute over money — this is ALWAYS a civil matter.

- •Are there other victims out there?
- •Did he get the money up front?
- •What services did he promise?
- •What did he deliver?

They continued to work for about a month after that but the work was very sporadic. I called bitt und complained. I spoke to both him and his wife Marisa. They kept making excuses and then they finally stopped coming and changed their phone numbers. I paid them most of the contract price..., around \$26,000.

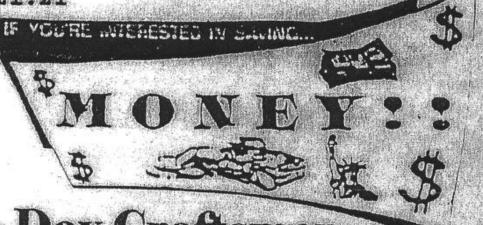
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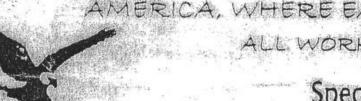


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## APS/ Ombudsman Creating/promoting referral line:

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- Posters
- Radio and TV PSA"s
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#### Common reactions among law enforcement

- It cannot be a crime she gave him the money
- •It can "t be filed he does not want us to prosecute
- •The prosecutor won tille the case the victim will make a terrible witness
- •It is a civil matter it involves a Power of Attorney

#### Prosecutors

- These cases are worthy
- These cases are provable
- We should get more creative in our charging
- We should not be obsessed with a win-loss record
- •We need to talk to APS

## Can we charge a felony instead of a misdemeanor?

What crimes other than theft can we consider?

## Involving seniors

- Reaching them through day centers, senior fairs and other workshops
- Provide a positive message!
- \*Top ten tips for safety ...
- Door prizes & a free lunch

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#### Paul R. Greenwood

Head of the Elder Abuse Prosecution Unit's San Diego DA's Office

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## Top ten tips for reducing the risk of becoming a victim

- Based on 14 years of criminal prosecution of elder abuse cases
- Forearmed is forewarned
- •Even if you don"t think you can use this information for yourself, we all know someone who does need it.

## Tip #1

- Choose a caregiver with caution
- There are no requirements in California for mandatory background checks of potential caregivers
- Never hire through a newspaper ad!

## Caregiver caution...

- Ask the agency to show you what background checks they have done
- Never just rely on references given to you by the caregiver
- Consider hiring your own investigator to find out as much as you can

## USA Today article 3/10/06

#### Health-care related jobs among those poised to take off

The fastest-growing U.S. jobs, by number of 2004 employees and expected employees in 2014:

Occupation	2004	2014	Percentage change
Home health aides	624,000	974,000	56%
Network systems and data communications analysts	231,000	357,000	55%
Medical assistants	387,000	589,000	52%
Physician assistants	62,000	93,000	50%
Computer software engineers, applications	460,000	682,000	48%
Physical therapist assistants	59,000	85,000	44%
Dental hygienists	158,000	226,000	43%
Computer software engineers, systems software	340,000	486,000	43%
Dental assis ants	267,000	382,000	43%
Personal and home care aides	701,000	988,000	41%

## Tip #2



- Keep an inventory of all jewelry
- Locked drawer
- Photos or video of valuable or sentimental pieces

### Tip # 3



- Every home should have a shredder
- Every piece of mail with your identifying information should be shredded
- Criss-cross is best

## Watch out for dumpster divers!



People are trying to learn about you from what you discard!

## Tip#4



- Protect your incoming and outgoing mail
- Never allow incoming mail to sit in unsecured mailbox with public access

### Mailbox security...

- Consider renting aPost Office box
- If possible, collect your new check books directly from your bank





## Tip # 5



- Obtain a creditsearch at least 2 -3 times a year
- Experian, Equifax& TransUnion

## Credit reports ....

- Talk to your financial institution about credit searches
- Everyone is entitled to one free credit report a year in California [AnnualCreditReport.com]

### Tip # 6



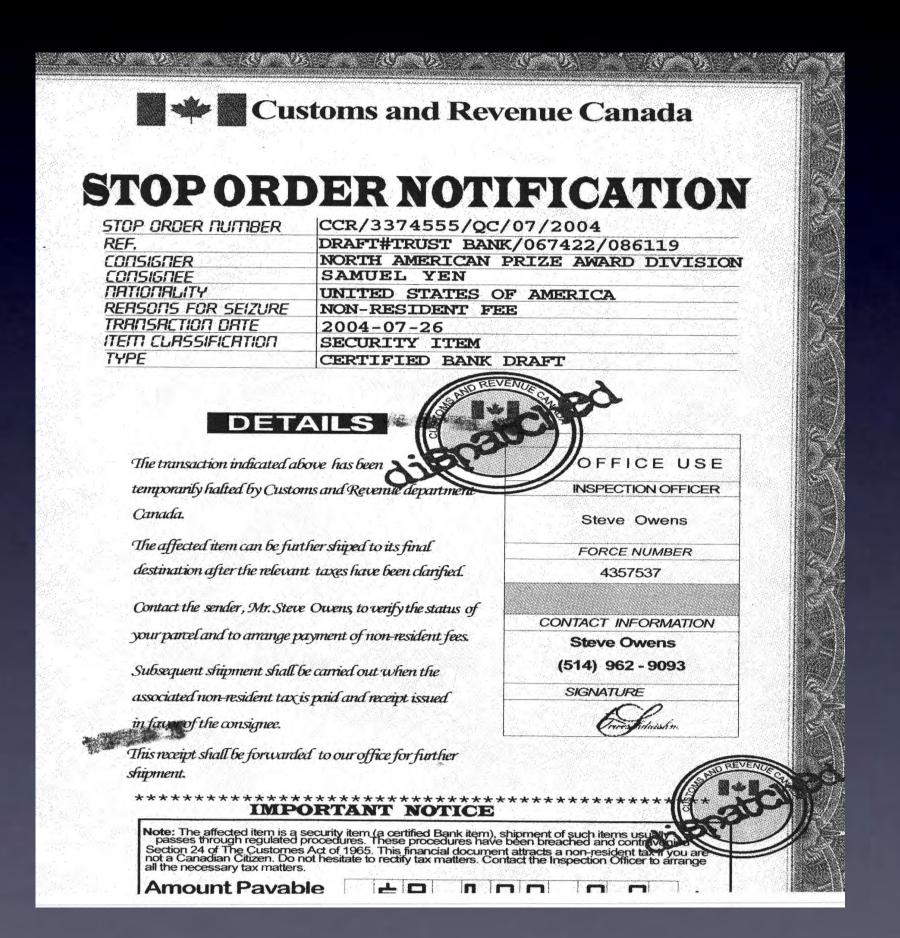
- Every home should have caller ID
- Determine if the call is
   Private or Unknown
- Don"t be afraid to hang up

## And for that annoying telemarketer....

Keep a whistle by the telephone



## Tip#7



- You will never win a foreign lottery
- Don"t believe the mail, the guy on the phone or the e-mail!

#### GRIVE WATCH

#### Man, 85, loses \$280,000 in scam

CARLSBAD — An 85-yearold retiree hoping to win big in the "Canadian Lottery" ended up losing nearly \$280,000 in a telephone scam, police said.

Authorities are warning residents about the scam, which begins with a telephone call, often to a senior citizen, congratulating the person for winning a huge prize.

Victims are told that to claim the prize, they need to wire funds to cover "tariffs and attorney fees" because the money is coming from outside the country, Detective Rob Shelton said.

The latest victim, a World War II fighter pilot, wired almost \$280,000 in a few weeks, losing nearly 20 percent of his assets. The victim lives in a nursing home, police said.

"It's become a problem with our seniors," Shelton said. "They seem to be taken in and are gullible. He was so convinced he had won the lottery. It makes your heart just go out."

People are warned that such "prize calls" are probably fake

and should be reported to the police.

— Elena Gaona



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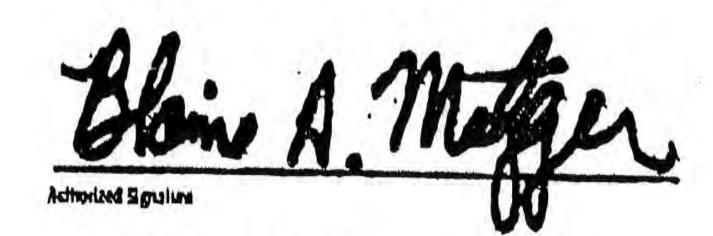
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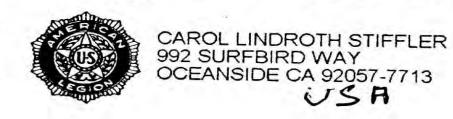
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How are you doing today hope fine with your family?

Thank you for your propmt response to my mail and your questions,

You See when I said that we are to bribe and tips some directors in different department of the different ministry what I mean is this, you know this transaction as to be backdated to the actual time and date the contract was really executed in 2001 and you know for us to do that here we have to settle the directors that are in the different department for them to sign and grant Approval for the documents of this tansaction that is what I am trying to tell you and like I told you in my earleir mails that you don't have anything to worry about in this transaction has me and my other associates in this transaction will take care of all the legality and legitimacy in this transaction and you know my country is not like your country America everything here is done as far there is money to settle the bills to take care of it so you don't have anything to worry about that Paul because everything will be done accordingly here for the funds to get to your bank account without any problem on both side and all neccessary documents to back up the funds will be arrainged here genuinely by me and my associates and with the help of my contact man in the finance ministry everything will be well taken care of here for the sucessful transfer of the funds from the central bank of Nigeria after Approval have been granted to your company's file from the finance ministry were my contact man will take care of everthing there for us.



#### CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

## Certificate of Incorporation

#### I HEREBY CERTIFY that

#### PAUL GREENWOOD

#### 330 WEST BROADWAY SAN DIEGO CA 92101 U.S.A

is this day incorporated under the COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS.

ACT 1990 and that the Company is Limited by Shares

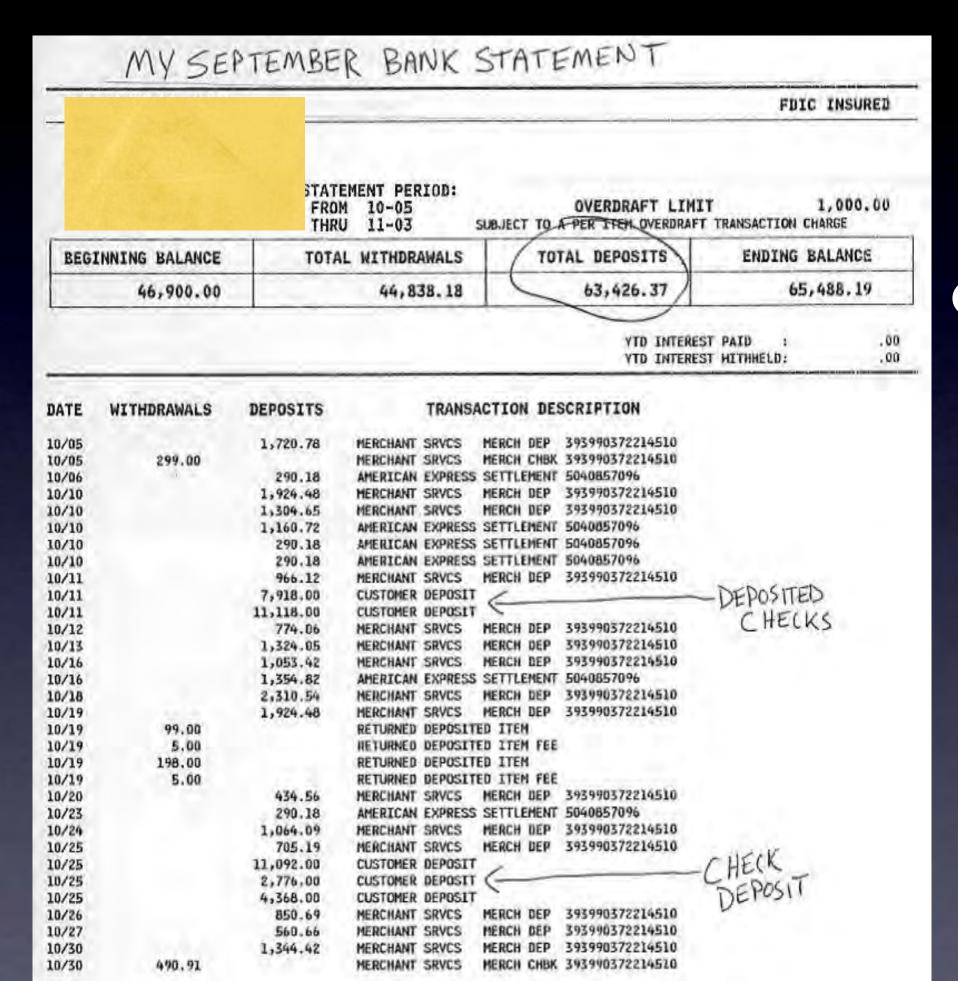
## The grandma scam...



## Money Gram.



### Tip # 8



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Consider allowing bank to send a duplicate copy of monthly bank statement to trusted family member or professional advisor

Text

# Every bank statement tells a story ....

- Look for repeated withdrawals
- \*Unusual locations
- Examine returned checks for "forged" signatures

### Tip # 9



- Don"t assume the friendly handyman is licensed
- Always check with BBB
   & State License
   Contractors Board

### When hiring a contractor..

- Get at least three estimates
- Do NOT pay more than 10% or \$1,000 [whichever is less] up front
- •Insist on a written contract
- Photograph the progress [or lack of it]

### Tip # 10



- Always have a second line of defense at your front door
- Watch out for "officials" who want to gain entry



### Financial Abuse:

- •Theft
- Credit card fraud
- •Real Property transfers
- Home Improvement scams/burglaries
- Work by unlicensed contractors/overcharging
- Telemarketing,sweepstakes & e-mail scams
- •Investment fraud

### State definitions of financial exploitation of vulnerable adults or elders vary....

#### Wyo. statute:

"Exploitation means the reckless or intentional act taken by any person, or any use of the POA, conservatorship, or guardianship of a VA, to obtain control through deception, harassment, intimidation or undue influence over the VA"s money, assets or property with the intention of permanently or temporarily depriving VA of ownership, use, benefit or possession of his money, assets or property."

## Financial exploitation [Kansas]

"Exploitation" means misappropriation of property or intentionally taking unfair advantage of the victim"s resources for another individual's personal or financial advantage by the use of undue influence, coercion, harassment, duress, deception, false representation or false pretense by a caretaker or another person.

# California does not recognize undue influence right now as criminal conduct.









### Typical theft scenarios

- Jewelry
- Checks
- ATM card
- Credit card & identity theft
- Transfer of title POA & quitclaim deed
- Bogus investment scams

### HOW TO PROVE STEALING?

- \*Taking property
- belonging to another
- •without consent &
- with intent to permanently deprive

# Lack of consent: CALJIC 1:23

- •To consent to a transaction a person must:
- Act freely & voluntarily & not under the influence of threats, force or duress
- Have knowledge of the true nature of the act or transaction involved
- Possess the mental capacity to make an intelligent choice whether or not to do something proposed by another person

#### CALJIC continued

 Consent requires a free will and positive cooperation in act or attitude

### Three prosecutable scenarios

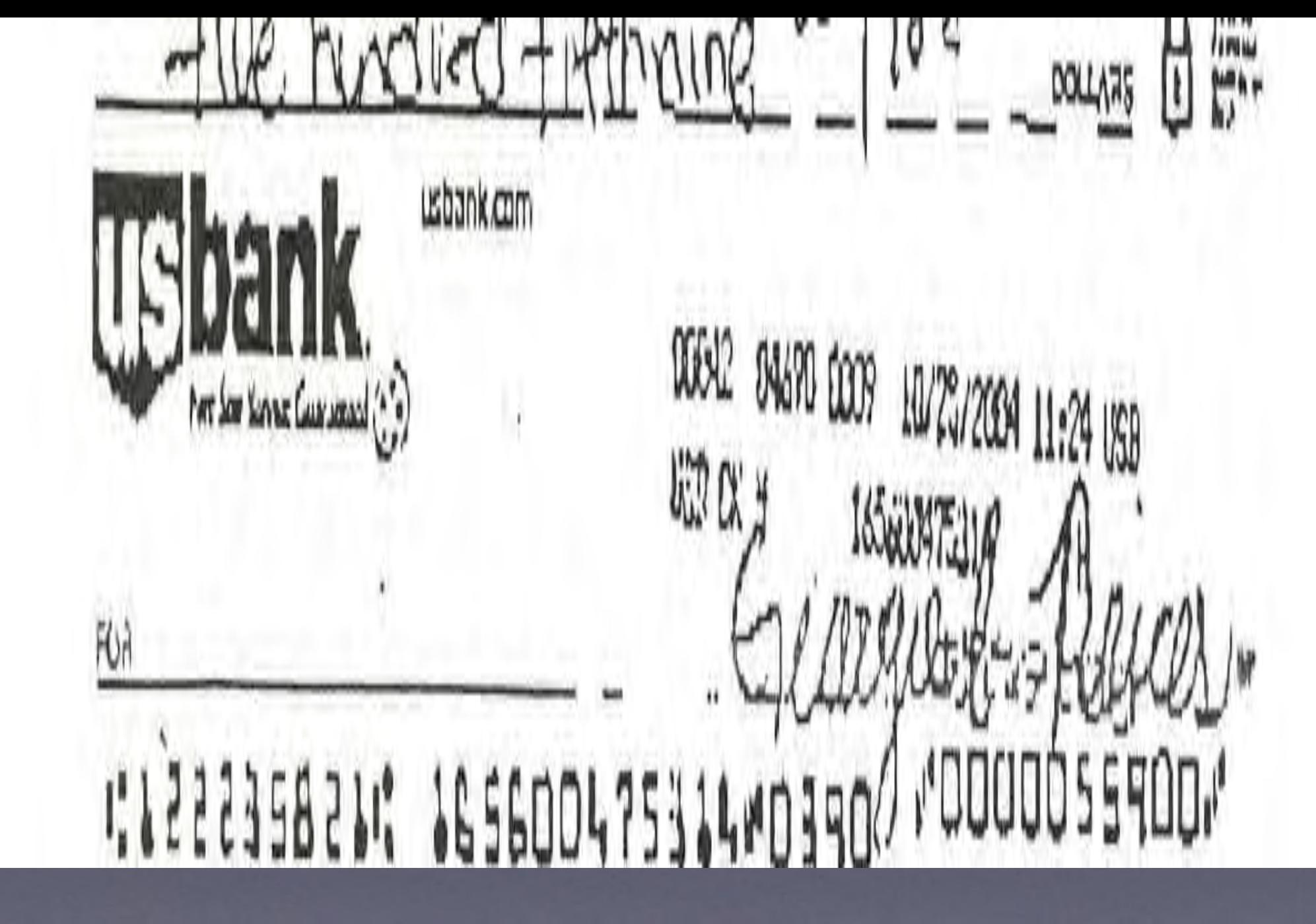
- Classic case of theft from a competent victim
- Theft from an incompetent victim
- Theft from a marginally competent victim [by undue influence]

### SCENARIO#1

- \*Victim testifies
- Did not give permission
- Did not owe monies to suspect
- \*Victim is credible

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### SCENARIO#2

- Victim cannot testify
- •Medical testimony that victim suffers from dementia/ Alzheimer s/ Parkinson's or some other illness that deprives victim of necessary understanding
- Incapacity was present at time of transaction

### SCENARIO#3

- Is it theft, a loan, or a gift?
- Victim is marginally competent
- Suspect exploited victim's vulnerability
- Victim was unduly influenced or was defrauded

### Undue Influence

- Victim "was pushed in a direction that he did not want to go."
- The influence by suspect was sufficient to remove the voluntariness of the transaction
- No longer free will
- Victim has been evaluated by a geriatric psychiatrist/psychologist

### How to prove undue influence?

- Length of relationship
- Place of first meeting
- Prior spending habits
- Prior "charitability"
- •What is left?
- Multiple escalating transactions
- Statements & conduct by suspect

### Witnesses

- Bank teller
- Pastor
- •Neighbor
- Doctor, pharmacist, optometrist of V
- Family
- •Ex-spouse of suspect
- Business contacts of suspect

## Evidence collection Bank, credit card statements

- Bank surveillance tapes
- Prior medical records
- Look for the inappropriate purchases
- •Ask questions, questions, questions!!!

### People v. Harris

- Victim was classic example of theft by undue influence
- \*Victim testified
- Short term memory problems
- Areas of extreme vulnerability









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#### Affidavit

I, Deanna L. Thyssen, promise never to call the police on Don R. Harris and claim that he is physically, emotionally, harming me in anyway. If I do call the police and claim any the above it will be a false allegation.

> Signed, Monnost. Ill 2/9/1999

Feb 9, 1999

#### Affidavit

I, Deanna L. Thyssen declare.

That I give full legal custody

of our daughter,

to Don R. Harris,

Signed: Dough Ally 2/9/1991

#### AFFIDAVIT

State of CALIFORNIA Country of SAN DIELED

1, Deannal. Thyssen being of legal age, make the following statements and declare that, on my own personal knowledge, they are true: I, Deanna: L. Thyssen, declare that I aive full custody of our daugnter, to Don R. Harris. I Promise never to call the police on, Don R. Harris and claim that he is Physically emotionally harming me in anyway. In cause I do, it will be a false signed and in penalty of penalty on February 09th, 1999

# What happens if victim dies after investigation begins and before prosecution finishes?

- •Do you have victim stestimony from a preliminary hearing?
- •If scenario #2, the death should not affect the proceedings
- Avoid Grand Jury proceedings wherever possible

#### Be careful about .....

- Obtaining a consent release form
- If Victim has mental capacity problems, then do NOT get a release
- Obtain through search warrant or if after case has been issued, through subpoena

## Interviewing an elderly victim

- •Venue is important
- Build a rapport
- Look for achievements
- Try to identify areas of vulnerability
- Preserve the interview on video

#### Crawford v. Washington

- We must bring elderly victims into court AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY to allow confrontation to take place
- Investigations are time sensitive
- Prosecutors should minimize delays in filing

#### Crawford v. Washington cont'd

- Try to avoid any defense request for a continuance
- Once the victim has testified in a preliminary hearing, the testimony is preserved

#### Seniors and the court process:

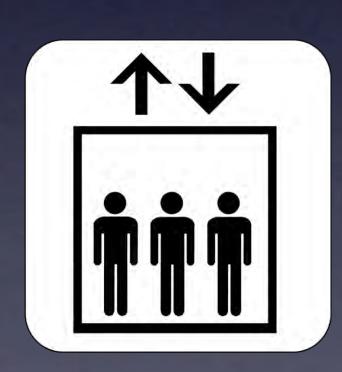
- Getting them to court
- Bringing the court to them
- \*Waiting at court
- \*Testifying in court
- After court to prevent further victimization

#### Assess the impact of the crime

- Financial
- Emotional
- Residual

### A Message to Seniors:

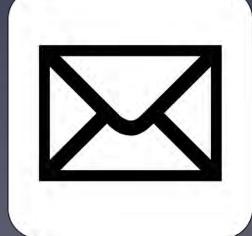
- •We respect and honor you!
- We commit to seeking justice for you
- •We prosecute with:
- Passion
- Purpose
- Perseverance



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#### Questions?

Please submit your questions via your question feature on your toolbar.

#### Save The Date

2011 International Family Justice Center Conference April 5-7 2011 in San Diego, CA



The three-day conference will include discussions on issues related to the handling of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, and elder abuse cases in the context of the Family Justice Center model. The conference faculty includes nationally & internationally recognized subject matter experts, advocates, and survivors. During the conference participants ct will have the opportunity to meet with survivors and professionals who currently work in Family Justice Centers in the United States and internationally.

# Thank you for joining today's presentation



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