



OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
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Serving Garfield, Pitkin, and Rio Blanco Counties

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Bad Check Program

For those cases that qualify this office will attempt to make contact with the writer of the check(s) by telephone and request payment, will send a letter to the writer to ask for payment, and may otherwise meet with the maker to get payment. We will then accept payment from the maker and send those funds to the victim. If payment in full cannot be secured from the check writer, criminal prosecution will be reviewed. If it is determined by this office that criminal prosecution will not be pursued, the check and information will be returned to the victim for potential civil or other actions as the victim deems appropriate. The District Attorney's Office cannot provide legal advice.

Filing Instructions

1. Fill out the Bad Check Report Completely and be sure to review the bad check criteria listed in step one of the report. Be sure that the bad check(s) has been submitted to your bank at least twice, that 30 days has elapsed since the check was written, and you have reviewed the attached list of criteria insuring that your checks are eligible for the Bad Check program. Our program targets checks written on accounts marked as non-sufficient funds.
2. Attach original check(s) or bank supplied check copies and all supporting documents such as certified mail return receipt, undeliverable letter, and copy of "Courtesy Notice".
3. Mail Bad Check Report and all other correspondence to:
Ninth Judicial District Attorney's Office
Bad Check Program
109 8th Street, Suite 308
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
4. Once a report has been filed, ALL restitution payments must be coordinated by the District Attorney's Office. Should the check writer contact you to make payment, direct them to the District Attorney's Office.
DO NOT ACCEPT PAYMENT DIRECTLY FROM CHECKWRITER.

What to do after my crime report is filed with the Program

- Please do not accept direct payments from check writers. Should the check writer contact you to make payment, refer them to the District Attorney's Office (970-945-8635)
- You may contact the District Attorney's Office for case updates at 970-945-8635.
- Please allow a minimum of 90 days to pursue restitution.
- If the check writer does not comply with the Program, the case may be reviewed for possible criminal prosecution.
- If we are unable to recover restitution and/or the check is not eligible for prosecution, you may request the check(s) be returned to pursue a civil remedy.