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<p style="text-align: center;">F1</p> <p>Unless you have initiated the call, never give your personal info to someone you don't know.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">R16</p> <p>Cryptocurrencies are high-risk and have high price volatility</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A31</p> <p>The "Family Member in Distress" Scam tries to convince you someone you care for is in trouble.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">U46</p> <p>If the sales person cannot give you detailed answers, hang up!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D61</p> <p>Do not wire money to someone you do not know.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">F2</p> <p>Been victimized? Call 1-800-981-4429</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">R17</p> <p>Be leery when contacted about an opportunity by someone you don't know</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A32</p> <p>Be skeptical of people who make big promises.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">U47</p> <p>If in doubt, say "NO!" Trust your instincts.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D62</p> <p>Nigerian Letter Scam: promises millions for help with foreign business</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">F3</p> <p>Counterfeit money orders or checks can be hard to identify. *</p> <p>*it may look real, but it doesn't mean it is. You are responsible. Ask for a wire transfer instead.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">R18</p> <p>Very few people ever get money back from a scam artist</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A33</p> <p>Question opportunities*.</p> <p>*People promoting legitimate offers will answer questions and put it in writing. Be wary of those hesitant not to.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">U48</p> <p>It is much less risky to hang up.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D63</p> <p>Ponzi Schemes—Only Ponzi promoters get rich.</p>

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<p>F4</p> <p>Keep copies of all financial documents.</p>	<p>R19</p> <p>Don't fall for a promise over the phone.</p>	<p>A34</p> <p>If using an online dating service, "romance" scams can be common. Never send money to someone after exchanging a few emails.</p>	<p>U49</p> <p>If you are told the opportunity should be left a secret, walk away.</p>	<p>D64</p> <p>Many scams are just variations on older themes.</p>
<p>F5</p> <p>Many victims of scams or fraud are smart and well-educated.</p>	<p>R20</p> <p>Think twice about sending your money by wire-transfer or through a prepaid card.</p>	<p>A35</p> <p>Getting your money back after you have sent a wire transfer is almost never successful.</p>	<p>U50</p> <p>Learn the signs of scams and frauds.</p>	<p>D65</p> <p>Educate family and friends on how to identify and act against scams and frauds.</p>
<p>F6</p> <p>If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.</p>	<p>R21</p> <p>Don't give out personal information unless you have initiated the call.</p> <p>* This can lead to identity theft—9 million per year.</p>	<p>A36</p> <p>Make front and back copies of your credit/debit cards and keep copies in a safe place.</p>	<p>U51</p> <p>If you become a victim of identity theft, fraud, or a scam do not be embarrassed or ashamed.</p>	<p>D66</p> <p>Don't let embarrassment or fear keep you from reporting you have been victimized.</p>

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<p>F7</p> <p>Get a copy of your free credit report every year from www.annualcreditreport.com</p>	<p>R22</p> <p>“Lighten your load,” leave less frequently used credit and debit cards at home.</p>	<p>A37</p> <p>Resist high pressure sales tactics.</p>	<p>U52</p> <p>Scam artists use Internet tools such as unsolicited email to spread false information.</p>	<p>D67</p> <p>If you discover a problem with your finances, act quickly.</p>
<p>F8</p> <p>Beware of investment opportunities promoted through social media.</p>	<p>R23</p> <p>Read the fine print before you sign up</p>	<p>A38</p> <p>Take your time and ask for written information</p>	<p>U53</p> <p>Affinity Fraud— “I’m like you so you can trust me” scam.</p>	<p>D68</p> <p>Never make a decision under pressure – sleep on it.</p>
<p>F9</p> <p>Check your financial statements for unauthorized transactions.</p>	<p>R24</p> <p>Hang up on high-pressure sales pitches</p>	<p>A39</p> <p>Don’t give a second chance to a scam artist</p>	<p>U54</p> <p>Share this knowledge with a neighbor</p>	<p>D69</p> <p>Your money is your responsibility.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">F10</p> <p>No matter how convincing, a foreign dignitary will not use your account to transfer money out of the country</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">R25</p> <p>Ask to have information sent. Check it out!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A40</p> <p>Before you send money, talk to a friend or someone else that you trust.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">U55</p> <p>Financial crimes can be as devastating as violent crimes.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D70</p> <p>If you think you have been a victim of fraud or ID theft, talk to someone you trust.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">F11</p> <p>Don't be drawn by appearances; scam artists know the importance of first impressions</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">R26</p> <p>Use your caller ID, if you do not recognize the number, let them leave a message. You can always call back.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A41</p> <p>Don't send money to anyone who insists on immediate payment.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">U56</p> <p>Red flag: "Risk free."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D71</p> <p>Do not let someone pressure you into doing something you are not comfortable with.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">F12</p> <p>Beware of anyone who calls you out of the blue claiming that you owe them money.*</p> <p>*Request proof of the debt by mail before sending money.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">R27</p> <p>A credit freeze is a great way to prevent new accounts from being opened in your name.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A42</p> <p>Keep information about your bank accounts and credit cards to yourself.*</p> <p>*This can lead to identity theft, estimated average cost per victim—\$6,383.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">U57</p> <p>Red flag: "Guaranteed."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D72</p> <p>Crryptocurrencies are susceptible to cybersecurity breaches or hacks.</p>

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<p>F13</p> <p>Keep in mind that good manners don't indicate personal integrity.</p>	<p>R28</p> <p>Home Improvement Scam—check if contractor is registered..</p>	<p>A43</p> <p>When in doubt, check out the company.</p>	<p>U58</p> <p>Red flag: “Limited time offer.”</p>	<p>D73</p> <p>There is no such thing as a “no risk” opportunity.</p>
<p>F14</p> <p>Purchase a cross-cut shredder. Shred anything with your name or identifying info on it</p>	<p>R29</p> <p>The IRS will never call you about past due taxes or penalties, they always contact consumers by US Mail</p>	<p>A44</p> <p>If you are a victim of fraud, report it</p>	<p>U59</p> <p>Be alert when you hear “Last chance, you must act now.” Hang up!</p>	<p>D74</p> <p>Be careful. Recovering your money is very difficult.</p>
<p>F15</p> <p>If you become a victim of a scam, let the authorities know.</p>	<p>R30</p> <p>No questions are dumb or silly, especially when it comes to your hard earned money.</p>	<p>A45</p> <p>Be sure to check your bank or credit card statements every month.</p>	<p>U60</p> <p>If you are victim of ID theft or a scam, keep a notebook to track the discussions you have while resolving this issues.</p>	<p>D75</p> <p>Do not give someone you do not know remote access to your computer. Companies will not call out of the blue to repair.</p>