

My business was the victim of a non-sufficient funds (NSF) bad check. What can I do?

Report the crime to the law enforcement agency where the crime occurred. The DA's Office no longer investigates non-sufficient funds checks.

What to do if your child is abducted:

File a police report. They will require that you have certified copies of your most recent court orders regarding custody. Also, request the law enforcement agency place your child in the National Crime Information Computer System (NCIC). If you have a valid custody order, you can contact our Parental Child Abduction Unit using the link on this website, or by calling 916- 875-0096. You will be contacted within two business days. For additional assistance, you may wish to call the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1.800.843.5678.

Does your office offer any assistance in Small Claims matters?

[Click here](#) for legal remedies that you can take in resolving disputes with individuals or businesses.

I think I've been cheated by a contractor/ tradesman/ shopkeeper, or other person who provides labor or

services. Can the District Attorney's Office help me?

Contact our Consumer Unit at 916-874-6174 or daoffice@sacda.org. You can also fill out a [Report Consumer Fraud](#).

How do I verify if a business is operating legitimately or if it has been the subject of complaints?

The [Better Business Bureau](#) provides information about businesses and consumer complaints.

I think I may be the victim of Real Estate Fraud; what services are available to me?

More information on real estate fraud, services available to victims, resources, and reporting forms are available [here](#). Call 916.874.9045 for more information.

Whom can I talk to about a consumer-related problem?

Please contact the Consumer Protection Unit at 916.874.6218. More information about the unit, resources, and consumer tips are available [here](#).

Can I file a “Child Visitation Violation” with the District Attorney’s Office?

Yes. The Sacramento County District Attorney’s Child Abduction Unit accepts reports of violations of court ordered visitation, but does not investigate the reports. The reports serve only as a method for the reporting party to document the violation for use in family court proceedings, if appropriate.

[Click here](#) to file a visitation report.

What is “Good Cause” Notification to the District Attorney?

Pursuant to Penal Code Section 278.7, parental abduction does not apply to a person with a right of custody or a victim of domestic violence who has good faith and reasonable belief that their child will suffer immediate bodily injury or emotional harm if left with the other person takes, keeps, withholds, or conceals the child. But that person must:

- Make a report of the taking within a reasonable amount of time to the District Attorney’s Office of the county where the child resided before the taking (as soon as possible, but no later than 10 days),
- Commence a custody proceeding within a reasonable time from the taking (as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days), and
- Inform the district attorney of any change of address or phone number of the person and the child.

If you do not have a legally allowable reason for taking or keeping the child, you could face charges of child abduction.

- [Click here](#) to file a report of good cause.
 - [Click here](#) to update your address and phone number on your good cause notification.
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Can your office help me obtain a custody order?

No. By statute, the District Attorney's Office cannot represent a party. You must retain private counsel or proceed on your own. The Sacramento County Superior Court website (www.saccourt.ca.gov) contains information to assist you in Family Law matters.