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FORGERY RING SUSPECT SENTENCED TO PRISON IN INSURANCE FRAUD CASE

Phoenix - On October 7, 2013, Frederick Farris pled guilty to Attempted Fraud Schemes and Artifices which is a class 3 felony. He was sentenced to 6.5 years in the Arizona State Prison.

Ferris was found in possession of forged insurance claim checks. The fraudulent checks were prepared from a bank account belonging to Arizona Automobile Insurance Company and were made payable to Frederick Farris or other individuals who were victims of identity theft. The checks were cashed at different locations in Arizona and Texas. Accomplices have already been sentenced or are awaiting sentencing. The case was prosecuted by the Arizona Attorney General's Office.

Consumers who suspect insurance fraud are encouraged to call the Fraud Unit of the Arizona Department of Insurance at (602) 364-2140.

About the Arizona Department of Insurance

The Arizona Department of Insurance, an agency of the State of Arizona, is responsible for the education and protection of insurance consumers and for oversight of the insurance industry in the state.