



Attorney General and Oklahoma Better Business Bureaus® Provide Information on COVID-19 Scams and How Consumers/Businesses can Protect Themselves

OKLA. – In an effort to support Oklahomans through the COVID-19 pandemic and offer insight into current scams, price-gouging reports, and varying resources available, Mike Hunter, Oklahoma Attorney General and the Better Business Bureaus® serving Central and Eastern Oklahoma teamed up to provide the community with a free, pre-recorded (4.22.2020) virtual conference.

The conference, “How consumers and businesses can protect themselves during COVID-19” is available on Better Business Bureaus® Serving Central and Eastern Oklahoma’s YouTube accounts:

<https://youtu.be/5NfERp1HeDY>

<https://youtu.be/651qXdypKQA>

The video recording includes information about:

- Stimulus checks
- Fake COVID-19 test kits
- COVID-19 related scam phone calls or emails
- How to defer payments with vendors and protect business assets
- Fraudulent small business applications or grants
- Business continuity

For more information and to speak to the Attorney General or to either of the Better Business Bureau President/CEOs, please reach out to our media contacts listed below.

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About the Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Attorney General Mike Hunter serves as Oklahoma's chief law officer. In his role, he has made the safety and security of Oklahomans one of his top priorities.

Through the Consumer Protection Unit, his office is charged with enforcing many state and federal laws that protect consumers against deceptive, unfair and fraudulent business practices. When appropriate, the consumer unit will take legal action to remedy violations of these laws.

Last year, the Consumer Protection Unit in the Attorney General's Office filed felony charges in 24 cases, a record for the unit.

During the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, his office has been on the forefront of combatting fraud and price gouging. After the president's emergency declaration, the attorney general immediately reallocated agents and attorneys to help with the volume of investigations in the Consumer Unit.

About Better Business Bureau

For more than 100 years, the Better Business Bureau has been helping people find businesses, brands and charities they can trust. In 2017, people turned to BBB more than 160 million times for BBB Business Profiles on more than 5.2 million businesses and Charity Reports on 11,000 charities, all available for free at bbb.org. Better Business Bureau® of Central Oklahoma, was founded in 1930 and serves over 50 counties in Oklahoma. For more information, visit oklahomacity.bbb.org.

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