

PENN ATTORNEYS TITLE ALERT

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RE: Title Alert 2007-23

FDIC Alert: Apollo Trust Company, Apollo, PA

Special Alert SA-175-2007

July 2, 2007

SUBJECT: Counterfeit Treasurer's Checks
Summary: Counterfeit treasurer's checks bearing the name Apollo Trust Company, Apollo, Pennsylvania, are reportedly in circulation.

Apollo Trust Company, Apollo, Pennsylvania, has contacted the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to report that counterfeit treasurer's checks bearing the institution's name are in circulation. The items are reportedly associated with a lottery scam.

The counterfeit items display the routing number **043308426**, which is assigned to Apollo Trust Company. The counterfeit items are similar to authentic treasurer's checks; however, they have dark borders and a security feature statement is displayed within the top border. An incorrect zip code ("1683") is used in the bank's address in the top-left corner. The items display a "VOID" background when copied.

Authentic checks have the correct zip code ("15613") in the bank's address in the top-left corner. Also, the word "REMITTER" appears in the lower-left corner below "TREASURER'S CHECK."

Any information you have concerning this matter should be brought to the attention of: Carolyn Bash, Assistant Treasurer, Apollo Trust Company, 201 North Warren Avenue, Apollo, Pennsylvania 15613
 Telephone: (724) 478-3151, extension 231, Fax: (724) 478-1118, E-mail: Carolyn@apollotrust.com

Information about counterfeit items, cyber-fraud incidents and other fraudulent activity may be forwarded to the FDIC's Cyber-Fraud and Financial Crimes Section, 550 17th Street, N.W., Room F-4004, Washington, D.C. 20429, or transmitted electronically to alert@fdic.gov. Questions related to federal deposit insurance or consumer issues should be submitted to the FDIC using an online form that can be accessed at <http://www2.fdic.gov/starsmail/index.asp>.

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NOTE: As a security precaution, the FDIC does not post to its Web site electronic images of fraudulent items or authentic checks that have been counterfeited. This is to avoid attempts by others to use these instruments to facilitate additional fraud. Financial institutions can view images of the fraudulent items and authentic checks (marked as VOID) using the FDIC's free, secure Web site, FDICconnect. (See more information about FDICconnect at <http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2006/fil06032.html>.) Printed copies of each Special Alert and its attachment(s) may also be obtained from the FDIC's Public Information Center (telephone: 1-877-275-3342 or 703-562-2200; fax: 703-562-2296; or e-mail: publicinfo@fdic.gov).

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