

WARNING! WHAT IS WIRE FRAUD?



TO HELP PROTECT YOUR MONEY, FOLLOW THIS CHECKLIST

DO NOT TRUST EMAILS OR OTHER MESSAGES THAT DIRECT YOU TO WIRE YOUR MONEY

Criminals and fraudsters can steal an unknowing buyer's money by sending them emails and wiring instructions. The emails appear to be from the title company, lender or agent. By using the fraudster's instructions, the buyer's money is sent to the criminal's account. In addition, criminals may call or send texts to you, so please **take your time and be careful!**

If you receive a suspicious communication, please contact our office immediately by phone (do not email) using a number for American Title Company of Houston, you know to be correct.

- ☐ Before you wire your money, first call American Title Company of Houston directly to confirm wiring instructions
- ☐ Confirm the phone number you use is correct and **NOT** a phone number from an email
- ☐ Confirm the bank you wire to is **Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.**
- ☐ Confirm the account holder's name is **American Title Company of Houston**

If your closing funds are \$250,000 or less, you can bring your funds in the form of a cashier's check made payable to American Title Company of Houston.

If this purchase includes multiple buyers, please share and discuss this alert and checklist with all buyers.

STAY ALERT AND PROTECT YOUR FUNDS!

Wire fraud is an everyday concern.



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