

## PRIVACY ACT NOTICE

The information that you submit will be used for investigations into fraud, waste, and abuse in connection with the programs and operations of the Social Security Administration.

We may make disclosures of information you submit to other Federal and State law enforcement agencies, as necessary to complete our investigation, or as required under Federal law. We may refer your allegation to the appropriate law enforcement agency if we believe you have alleged a criminal or civil violation properly within their jurisdiction.

## SSA OIG FRAUD HOTLINE CONTACT INFORMATION

### INTERNET:

[HTTP://WWW.SSA.GOV/OIG/HOTLINE/INDEX.HTM](http://www.ssa.gov/oig/hotline/index.htm)

### MAIL:

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION  
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL  
P.O. BOX 17768  
BALTIMORE, MD 21235-7768  
FAX: 410-597-0118

### CALL: 1-800-269-0271

HOURS OF OPERATION:  
10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME

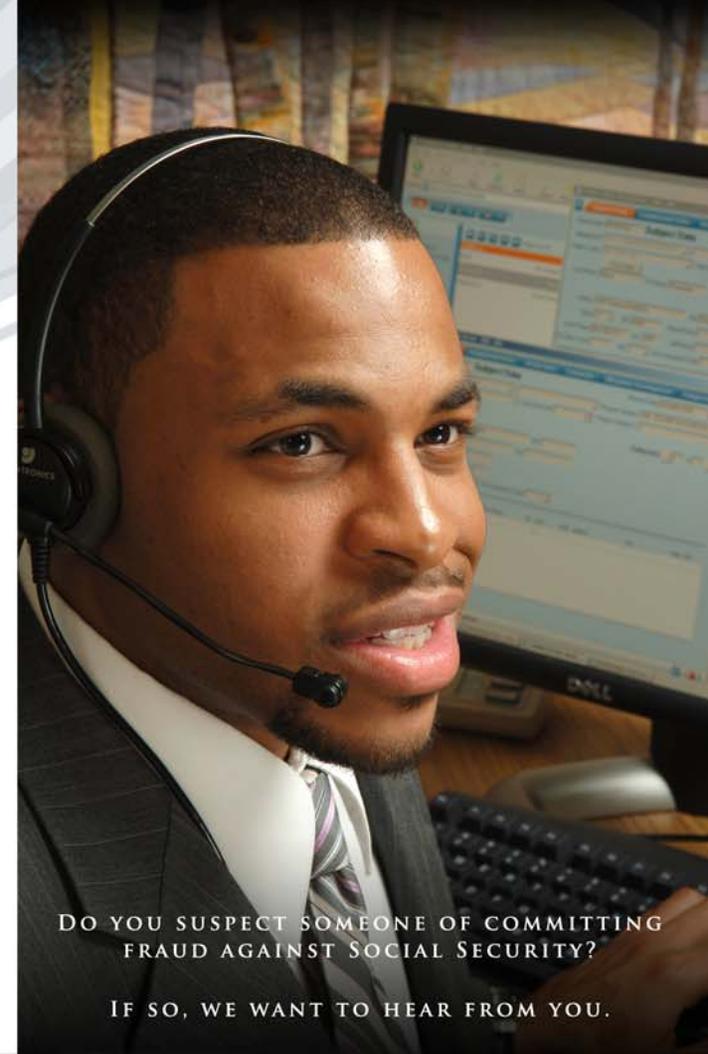
### TTY: 1-866-501-2101

SERVICE FOR THE DEAF OR HARD-OF-HEARING

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OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL  
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

## FRAUD HOTLINE



DO YOU SUSPECT SOMEONE OF COMMITTING  
FRAUD AGAINST SOCIAL SECURITY?

IF SO, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL  
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION  
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REPORT FRAUD AT OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.SOCIALSECURITY.GOV/OIG](http://WWW.SOCIALSECURITY.GOV/OIG)



## DON'T IGNORE FRAUD. SPEAK UP.

Social Security's Inspector General Fraud Hotline takes reports of alleged fraud, waste, and abuse in Social Security programs. Reporting is easy, safe, and secure. You can reach us by Internet, phone, mail, or facsimile.

The easiest way to report your allegation is by using the Public Fraud Reporting Form on our website. Just visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/oig](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/oig). To ensure your privacy, all data is encrypted.



## WHAT SHOULD I REPORT?

A variety of situations may be considered fraud against Social Security. Some examples are:

- Making false statements when applying for Social Security benefits;
- Concealing facts or events which affect eligibility for Social Security benefits;
- Buying or selling counterfeit or legitimate Social Security cards;
- Misusing someone else's Social Security benefits;
- Impersonating a Social Security employee;
- Misusing Social Security numbers in relation to terrorist activities; or
- Illegal activities by Social Security employees.

## WHAT INFORMATION DO I NEED?

Our investigations are more successful when you provide as much information as possible about the subject(s) and/or victim(s) of your complaint, including:

- Name
- Address
- Telephone number
- Date of birth or approximate age
- Social Security number

IT IS ESPECIALLY HELPFUL TO KNOW FACTS ABOUT THE ALLEGED FRAUD SUCH AS:

- Who committed the alleged fraud?
- What did the person do?
- Where did the alleged fraud take place?
- When and for how long has the alleged fraud occurred?
- How was the alleged fraud committed?
- Who else has knowledge of the fraud?

## SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER MISUSE

If someone else has used your Social Security number to obtain credit, loans, or other goods and services in your name, you should contact the Federal Trade Commission.

YOU MAY REACH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION'S IDENTITY THEFT HOTLINE TOLL FREE AT 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338) OR VISIT THEIR WEBSITE AT [HTTP://WWW.FTC.GOV/BCP/EDU/MICROSITES/IDTHFT//](http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/idtheft/)

## DISCLOSURE POLICY

Federal regulations prohibit the disclosure of information contained in law enforcement records even to the individual making the allegation. Under no circumstances can we provide you with the status of action taken on the allegation. If you send your report by mail or fax, we will send you an acknowledgement letter. If you submit a report through our website, you will receive an automatic acknowledgement to the email address that you provide. There will be no further communication from our office unless you are contacted directly by one of our investigators.