

POCONO MOUNTAIN REGIONAL



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CURRENT DATE: ~~Click here to enter a date.~~

OFFICER: Choose an item.

DATE OF INCIDENT: TIME OF INCIDENT:

LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Computer Fraud/Computer Hacking

PERSONS ARRESTED / ACCUSED:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Address</u>
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SUMMARY OF DETAILS: Pocono Mountain Regional would like to warn resident's of a computer scam recently occurring in our area.

A potential victim is contacted via phone call or email by a person claiming to be from a bank, loan or lending company, or a company such as Amazon, Microsoft, etc. The person will tell the victim they are due a refund or there is an issue with their computer. The person will ask for remote access to the victims computer. This is done by going to a certain web page, which although looks real, is fake. Once the victim allows the person access, he takes control of the computer and the victim is locked out. At this point the person now has access to any and all information on the victim's computer. The person can access the victim's banking and make transactions without the victim's knowledge. In most cases, the victim is instructed to go to a Walmart, CVS, Rite-Aid, etc. and purchase credit/debit cards to pay for alleged fees, overdrafts, or repairs. In some, but not all, of the recent incidents reported, the persons committing this form of computer hacking speak with a Mid-Eastern accent.

Residents are cautioned to never allow anyone remote access to their computer or purchase store cards to make payments of any kind. Furthermore, never provide personal information to a person during an unsolicited phone call or email.

CHARGES FILED (Include grading):

CHARGES PENDING (Include grading):

ARRAIGNMENT JUDGE:

BAIL:

PRELIMINARY HEARING:

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Date: Time: District Justice: Choose an item.

PMRPD ASSISTED BY:

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