



# HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***

**For Immediate Release**

On Friday, March 23, 2018, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced a scam involving green dot money cards.

According to Sheriff Peterson the Harrison County Sheriff's Department is receiving complaints of individuals calling representing Deputies from the Harrison County Sheriff's Department. These individuals are stating to the victims that they have warrants for their arrest and to purchase a green dot money card for the amount owed to clear the warrant. Individuals are instructing the victims to call back with the information on the green dot card after they purchase the green dot card in the amount requested. These individuals are also using a phone application to make it appear that victims are actually receiving a call from the Harrison County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Peterson advised that Deputies of the Harrison County Sheriff's Department do NOT call the general public and demand money for any outstanding warrants. Anyone receiving these calls should contact the Harrison County Sheriff's Department.

Investigative Officer: Capt Coley Judy \_\_\_\_\_

Arresting Officer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Approved For Release: \_\_\_\_\_

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi