

## It all started because he was unemployed

Steven Fisher, 47, McGhee Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Aimee Blackburn, 40, N A Street Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Officer Nick Halsey LCPD, responded to 6th Ave in reference to a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival Officer made contact

(see assault pg. 2)



Steven Fisher



Aimee Blackburn

## Man falls asleep driving and rolls car!



Michael Johnson

see DUI pg. 3

## Payback for a Debt Collector

*Illegal, Aggressive Tactics Result in Jail Time*

John Todd Williams, the owner of a debt collection company based in Georgia, used illegal and aggressive tactics to squeeze millions of dollars from thousands of victims. Now Williams is paying his own debt—to society—in the form of a five-year prison sentence.

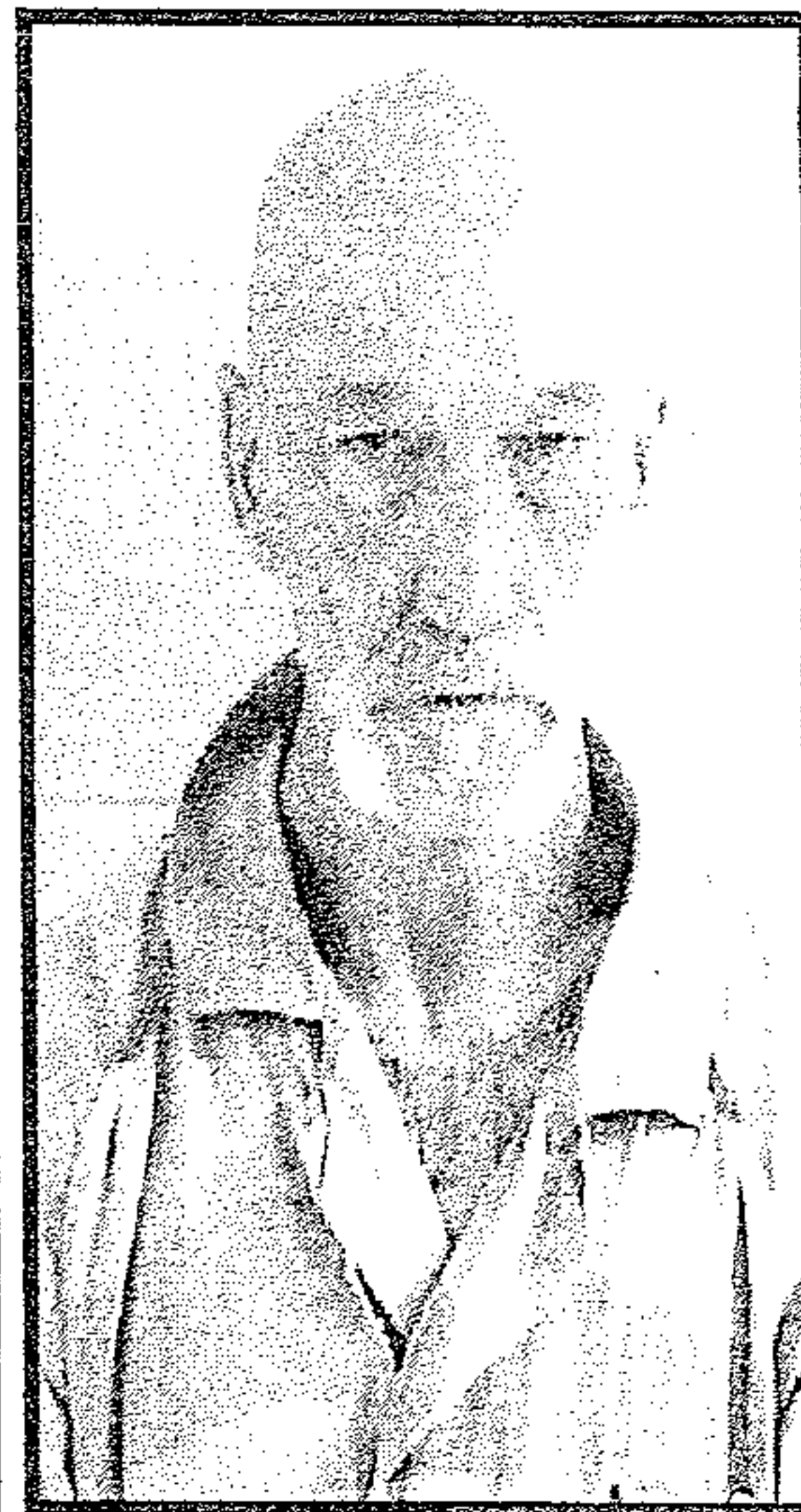
The debt collection fraud scheme went on for nearly five years as Williams and those he employed

ruthlessly tricked their victims into paying by pretending to be law enforcement officers and lawyers and illegally threatening arrest and other legal action. Some of the victims were so intimidated that they paid debts that had already been paid.

“It was no holds barred in terms of what they told people over the phone,” said Special Agent Brian Comisky, who investigated the case from the

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Bill check stolen and altered by thief



William Dunagan

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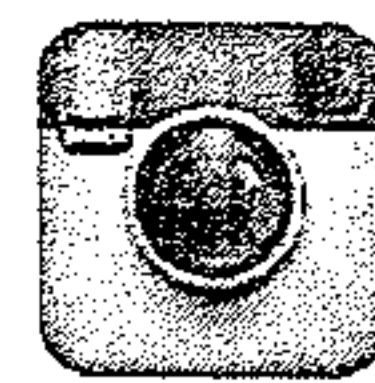
## Seeking Special Agents with Diverse Backgrounds

The Houston Division recently sponsored a recruiting event to attract applicants with diverse backgrounds to become special agents. Approximately 200 people attended the event, which included a video message from Director James Comey and presentations from a variety of agents about their varied

paths to the Bureau. Houston Recruiting Effort Part of National Campaign

When Special Agent Al Tribble joined the FBI 25 years ago, the organization wasn't exactly known for its recruiting efforts—especially when it came to hiring women and people of color.

Much has changed (see Agents pg. 4)



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### Verse of the Day

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### Obituaries

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### Wazzup

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Pilot? Bet ya got a loan for a small fee! Ha Ha Ha Ha!

### Weather

Today: Partly cloudy skies. High 76F.

Tonight: Mainly clear early, then a few clouds later on. Low 53F.

Thursday Overcast. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High 78F.

Thursday Night Cloudy skies early followed by scattered showers and thunder-

storms later during the night. Low 59F.

### Horoscopes

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## Assault

with Steven Fisher, who stated that Amiee Blackburn kicked him out of her residence due to him not being employed. Fisher went to say that he was leaving and

Blackburn hit him in the face knocking his glasses off. Fisher stated after he was struck he left to cool down. Officer did observe fresh scratch marks on

(see assault ctd. pg. 5)

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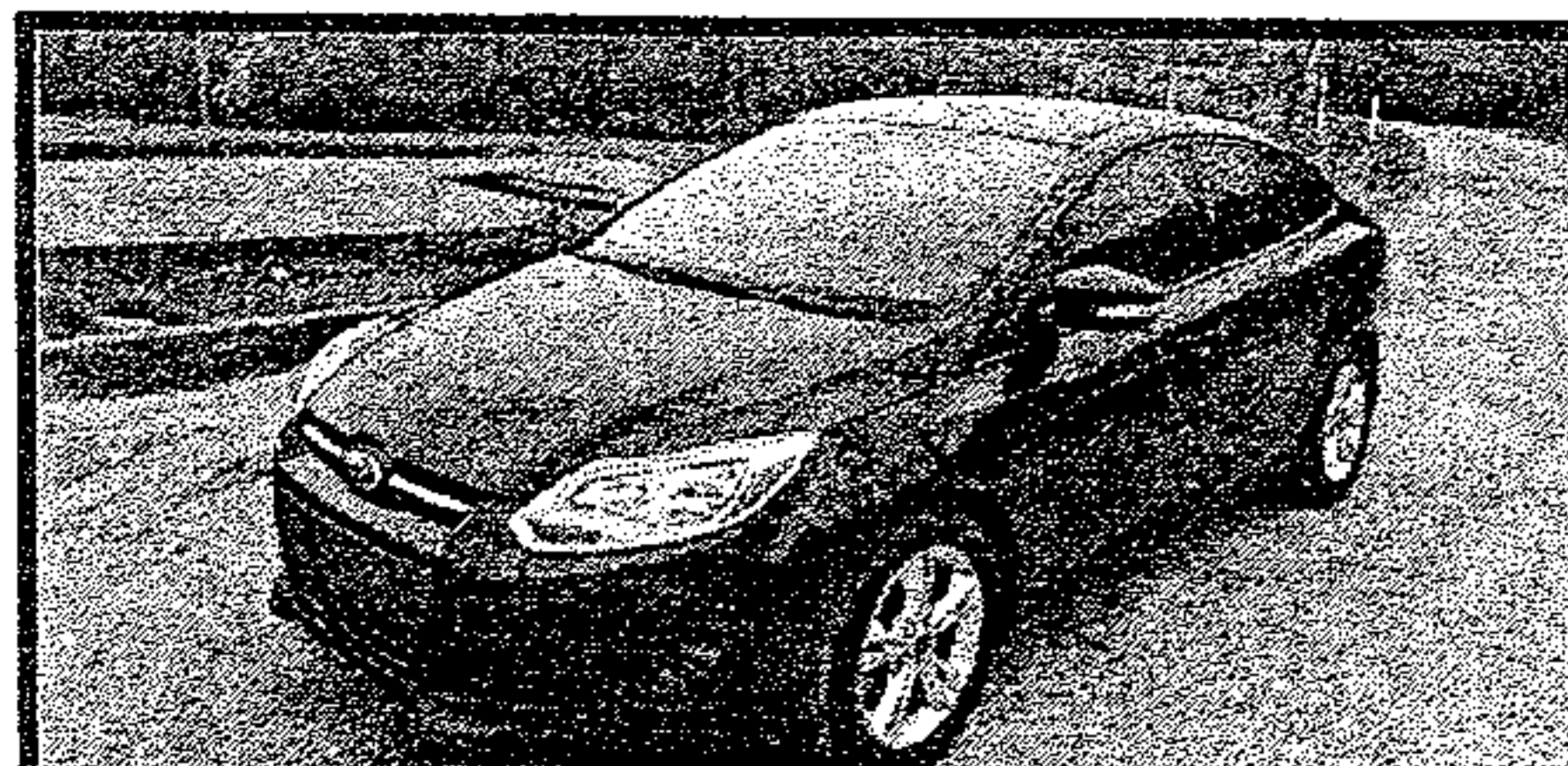
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### DUI

Clint McMahan, 25, W Hwy 411 Vonore, was charged with DUI, and Driving on Revoked/Suspended License. Trooper Paul Clendenen THP, responded to a wreck on Steekee Road. The vehicle had left the roadway and rolled over.

When Trooper approached the driver Clint McMahan, his eye were bloodshot and his entire body was shaking. Clint denied and alcohol or drug use. Clint did poorly on sobriety test and then stated he was prescribed Suboxone. Clint license came back suspended, and stated he fell asleep driving.

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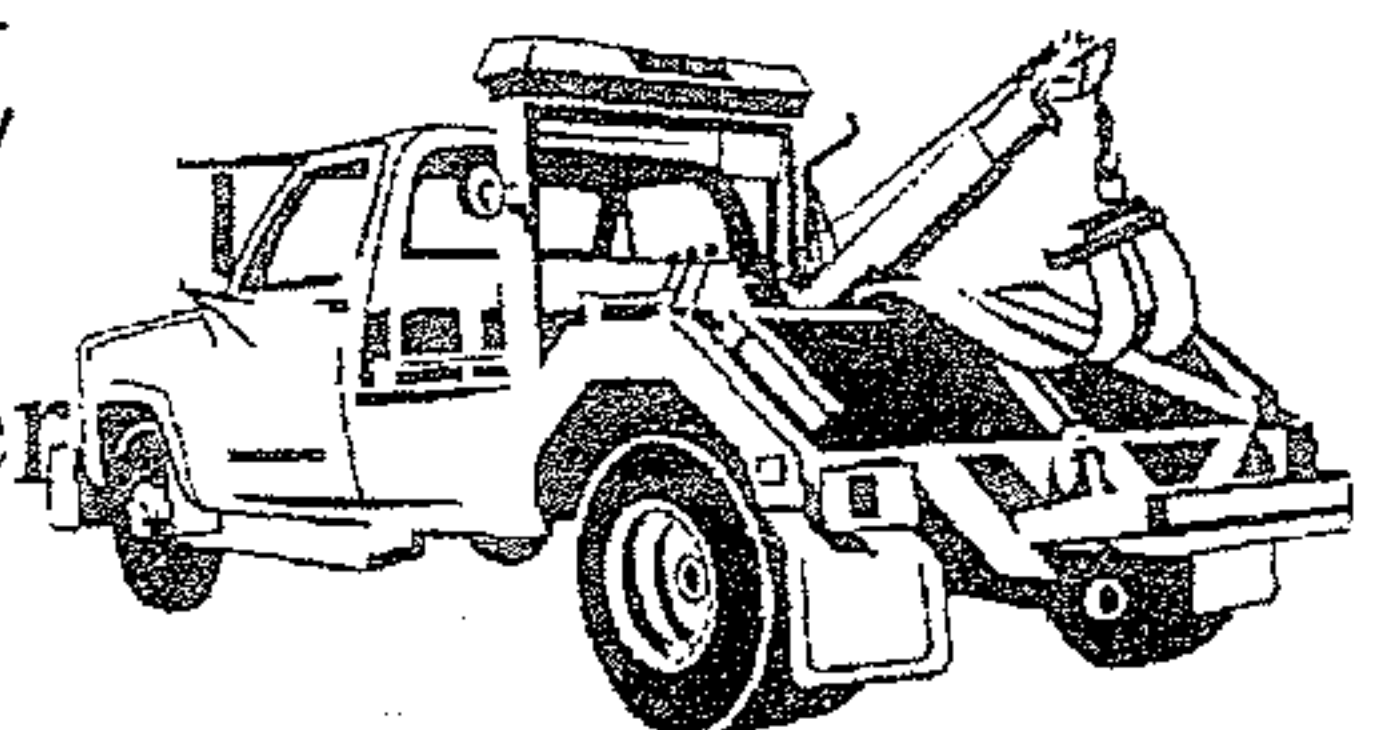
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**Agents**

since then. Today, the FBI understands that to effectively protect the American people, its special agents must reflect the diverse communities they serve. That's why Tribble—who specializes in human trafficking and violent crimes against children investigations—participated in a recent recruiting event in Houston aimed at increasing diversity in the ranks of the FBI's special agent corps.

As a veteran investigator and an African-American, Tribble spoke to potential applicants about the satisfaction of being a special agent. "The variety of work that you find in the FBI is un-

like corporate America or any other private entity," he said. "There's so much you can do here, and you get to help people. When you take a victim of human trafficking and free her from

her captors and reunite her with her family," he explained, "there's no feeling that can beat that."

The FBI's Diversity Agent Recruitment Program began in 2016 with an event

in Washington, D.C., that attracted several hundred potential special agents from diverse backgrounds. The Houston event in January 2017 was attended by more than 200 people who heard from a panel of special agents about the varied paths that led them to the Bureau.

"I think a lot of people have in their mind what the FBI is and what the FBI does and what an FBI agent looks like," said Special Agent Jenelle Janabajal, a presenter at the event, "and I think what we're trying to do is maybe change some of those ideas and let peo-

ple know that the FBI might be different from what you think."

"What we're trying to do is ... let people know that the FBI might be different from what you think."- Jenelle Janabajal, special agent, Houston FBI

Special Agent David Baker, who works with special agent job applicants in the Houston Division, put it another way: "It doesn't matter

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what walk of life you come from, what color you are, what race you are, what background you have," he said, "there's a place for you in the FBI."

"One of the things that make us very attractive as an organization is that our employ-

ees have such different backgrounds," said Perrye K. Turner, special agent in charge of the Houston Division. Turner, who has served as one of the Bureau's national recruiters for nearly two decades, was instrumental in bringing the recent event

to Houston. Such employee diversity means that "everybody brings something to the table," he said. "That makes us stronger and more effective as an organization."

The women, Latinos, Asians, and African-Americans in the audience heard from a variety of FBI agents about what it's like to do good for a living—to take violent criminals off the streets, to hold public officials accountable when they violate the public's trust, to thwart spies who would steal national secrets, and to stop terrorists. And after the official presentation, they were able to talk one-on-one with agents.

The event began with a video message from Director James Comey, who told the group that when he joined the Bureau in 2013, he inherited a special agent population that was 83 percent white. Comey made diversity one of the Bureau's core values and began to increase efforts at diversity hiring.

A career in the FBI is like no other, he said. "This is an incredible family where no matter what you look like—black, white, Latino, Asian, Native American, whether you're a man or a woman, whether you're straight or gay—you feel welcome once you join this family."

The statistics bear out that fact. The FBI's turnover rate among agents is less than 1 percent. "That's extraordinarily low,"

Comey said, "and the reason it's so low is once people become part of this life and see what it's like to have as your mission protecting the American people and upholding the Constitution of the United States, nobody leaves."

Comey cautioned that becoming a special agent is difficult. "We need people of integrity—non-negotiable. We need people of high intelligence—essential to be able to do the complicated work we do. And we need people of a certain physicality. If you're going to be a special agent in the FBI," he said, "we're going to give you a gun on behalf of the United States of America, and you better be able to run, fight, and shoot."

But if you possess those skills, he added, the FBI can be a career like no other. "So here is my challenge to you," he said. "I dare you to take your ability and try to be a part of this organization."

"Our employees have such different backgrounds. That makes us stronger and more effective as an organization."

Perrye K. Turner, special agent in charge, Houston FBI

Assault ctd. from pg. 2

Fishers chest. Upon speaking with Blackburn, she advised that she told Fisher to leave the residence due to him being unemployed. Fisher became mad and began

throwing items around the house. Blackburn stated Fisher then became physical with her and pushed her to the ground, and hit her on the back with what she believed to be a leveling tool. Fisher also grabbed her by the arms and hit her arms with tools as he was throwing them. Blackburn had multiple marks on both arms and a small abrasion on her lower back. Both parties were placed under arrest.

### Police Beat

Lauren Arwood, 22, Grant Street Alcoa, was charged with Public Intoxication.

Temer Cook, 38, County Road Sweetwater, was charged with Failure to Appear.

Amy Finchum, 35, Main Street Loudon, was charged with Violation of Probation.

Jason Jackson, 38, Watauga Drive Knoxville, was charged with Failure to Appear.

Dean Johnson, 23, Reynolds Road Madisonville, was charged with Failure to Appear.

Amy Macuga, 29, Mashburn Road Sweetwater, was charged with Violation of Probation.

Angela McCafrey, 37, Blue Sky Drive Knoxville, was charged with Failure to Appear.

## Public Notice

### Notice of Meetings:

#### Loudon County Budget Committee meeting schedule:

The following meetings will begin at 4:30 PM at the County Office Building:

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Thursday, April 13, 2017

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Thursday, April 20, 2017

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Thursday, April 27, 2017

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

Thursday, May 11, 2017

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Thursday, May 18, 2017

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

The regular April and May monthly meetings will proceed as previously scheduled, on Monday April 17th and Monday May 15th, 4:00 PM at the County Office Building



**Collector**

FBI's New York Division. "They yelled, screamed, harassed. They said, 'We're going to revoke your driver's license. We're going to send you to jail.' It was nasty."

Often working from scripts, Williams and his employees at Williams, Scott & Associates (WSA) gave

themselves fake "dunning" names and personas, telling victims they were detectives or investigators. They falsely claimed to be affiliated with law enforcement agencies such as the Department of Justice and the FBI, and regularly used legal jargon to scare and confuse victims.

"They would

take legal terms and throw them around," Comisky said, "even though they made no sense." During Williams' July 2016 trial, for example, evidence showed that victims were told that the "statute of limitations" on their "civil legal rights" had expired and that their debt was now a criminal matter that could only be resolved by voluntary payment or arrest.

Debt collection companies like WSA buy debts—referred to in the industry as "paper"—from businesses whose customers failed to pay. WSA and other third-party collectors buy that debt at a fraction of the debt's value, sometimes for pennies on the dollar. Then whatever they collect is profit. Although the industry has come under scrutiny for predatory collection practices, Comisky noted, "WSA broke all the rules."

"The fact that some of the victims did owe money is not what this case was about," he said. "What Williams and his collectors were saying—scaring the victims into paying by threatening them with arrest and jail—was fraudulent and illegal."

"What Williams and his collectors were saying—scaring the victims into paying by threatening them with arrest and jail—was fraudulent and illegal." -Brian Comisky, special agent, FBI New York

An employee of unscrupulous debt collector John Todd Williams tricks a vic-

tim into paying by pretending to be a law enforcement officer and illegally threatening arrest and other legal action. Transcript/Download

The Federal Trade Commission, mandated to protect consumers, had received multiple complaints about WSA's tactics, and in 2014, prosecutors at the United States Attorney's Office in the Southern District of New York alerted the FBI about possible criminal activity on the part of the company.

An investigation was opened, and a search warrant executed in May 2014 at WSA's office revealed the bogus scripts employees used to coerce victims. Testimony at trial revealed that approximately 6,000 victims nationwide paid WSA nearly \$4 million.

After a jury found Williams guilty of conspiracy to commit wire fraud, a federal judge in November ordered the 50-year-old to serve five years in prison and pay nearly \$4 million in restitution to victims.

Comisky, who specializes in white-collar crime and financial fraud investigations, said it was gratifying to put a stop to WSA's illegal practices. "When you heard some of the victims' stories," he said, "you realized that Williams and his employees would go to any lengths to collect.

If you would like to report a crime by a debt collector,

contact the Federal Trade Commission: 1-877-FTC-HELP.

For information about dealing with debt collection companies, the FTC offers valuable information on its website.

**Theft**

William Dunagan, 53, Lovelace Road Knoxville, was charged with Forgery, and Theft of Property. Inv. Brad Brown LCPD, conducted an investigation on Theft. William Dunagan was observed on video surveillance footage at United Community Bank located in Lenoir City passing a forged check. Victim stated he had check cashed at United Community Bank that he put in his mailbox to pay bills. Dunagan cashed the check that had been altered to show that it was addressed to him for 1,258.76. Victim stated that he does not know Dunagan.

**Police beat**

Kenneth Morgan, 25, Big Creek Road Madisonville, was charged with Failure to appear.

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