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IMPORTANT NOTICE

FOR CHAPTER OFFICERS

Reminder: Notice of Attempted Fraud Scams

We would like to notify all chapters of the potential for **wire fraud scams and check fraud scams**. Just recently there have been attempts on the National Office and one chapter. These are sophisticated scams where they are masking another officers e-mail address and asking another officer to pay a bill via wire transfer. The invoice attached to these requests looks reasonably in line with services that would be used by the Club. The request also appears to come from the president—or another key officer's e-mail—and is signed by that person.

In addition, the National office had a fraudulent check produced and presented for payment on its checking account. This, too, was not a large amount that would automatically set off alarm bells.

If anyone e-mails you a request for payment (check or wire), **we strongly encourage you to call the person**

requesting the payment to verify the request. In addition, it is very important to **remain diligent in reviewing your bank statements.**

The National Office is pursuing the case and will make every attempt to prosecute if the person(s) are apprehended.

If there are any questions or concerns related to this matter, please call Lindsey Branston (National Office DFO) at 864-438-0961 or e-mail at lbranston@bmwcca.org.

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