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- What is a 'money mule' scam and how to avoid it
- Danville Sheriff's Office warns of jury duty scam (VA)
- State Police Issue Alert Over Local Scam Calls
- Celebrate Hanukkah without the scams
- Repeat scammer charged in six counties gets more time behind bars (VA)
- BBB says puppy scams are on the rise (VA)
- Scammers use spoof Dominion Energy number to demand money from customers
- Veterans are the latest target of scam calls, experts say. Here's what to lookout for
- Four Sentenced this Week for Roles in Pandemic Unemployment Fraud, Mail Fraud Scheme (VA)

- Tools and Resources -



Resource | ICE - IPR Center

Comprehensive Holiday Shopping Tool

The National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), and The Toy Association are teaming up to ensure consumers can make educated decisions when searching for the best deals this season. Consumers can go to IPC's new [holiday shopping toolkit](#) site and help protect themselves from substandard or even hazardous counterfeit toys, electronics, cosmetics, and other products.

The holiday shopping toolkit includes educational videos, infographics, and information on how to spot fake merchandise.

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Article | University of Virginia

Is It Supply Chain Issues or Did I Just Get Scammed? Advice for Seniors, Others

Professor Naomi Cahn of the University of Virginia School of Law is a family law expert who teaches such classes as "Aging and the Law" and "Trusts and Estates." She recently offered some advice for protecting seniors and others who might be vulnerable to scams this holiday season, or any time of the year.

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