



## ***DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE DEALING WITH?***

*A number of residents over a multi-county area have been receiving unsolicited mail with seemingly **FREE MONEY**.*

These letters are a **SCAM**. Some common features of the letters are:

- They look very official
- There is a check enclosed made out to you
- They mention “mystery shopping” or “consumer service evaluator”
- They ask for **YOUR** personal information
- They require you to send money **BACK** to them

### ***What’s wrong with free money?***

What can happen is the check **YOU** cash is fraudulent which means there are **NO** funds to cover the money you sent back to these fraudulent companies. To make up the difference, legitimate funds in your account or other accounts of yours at the Bank will be used.

If funds are not available, then your account will be **OVERDRAWN**.

**YOU** will then be **legally liable** for the overage.

### ***Important Things to Remember to Protect Your Account***

- Never give out your private, personal information to people you do not know
- If something seems too good to be true, it probably is
- Do not give into fear or intimidation tactics
- ***Protect your identity and your assets by knowing who you are dealing with!***