## Protect your MONEY from wire thieves!

## WHAT DOES WIRE FRAUD LOOK LIKE?

It can look like a legitimate email or text from the title company, the realtor, or the lender with urgent instructions to wire funds! THE PROBLEM??? Those emails or texts are attempts by a criminal to STEAL YOUR MONEY and get you to wire money to an account controlled by them, set up under a name very similar to Independence Title.

## BE SUSPICIOUS AND CAUTIOUS OF ANY EMAIL THAT YOU RECEIVE REQUESTING A WIRE TRANSFER.

Pick up the phone and call your escrow team at a phone number from our Independence Title website and NOT a phone number contained in an email.

- ► We will NEVER call, email, or text you an unsolicited request to urgently wire money
- ► We will NEVER email our wiring instructions to you
- ▶You must call us to request a link to download them from a secure site
- Once you have downloaded them using the secure link, they will not change
- Our bank account name will ALWAYS be Independence Title
- Our bank account will ALWAYS be located in Texas

## **WANT A BETTER OPTION FOR FUNDS?**

A cashier's check is a **SAFER** option than a wire transfer. On an all cash transaction, you will need to provide the cashier's check to the escrow team one day prior to closing, so please contact your escrow team for assistance or to arrange a pickup.

