Numismatic Crime Information Center

NUMISMATICS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

"BRIDGING the GAP"

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NUMISMATICS

The study or collection of coins, paper money, tokens, medals, or related items
Billions of dollars in rare coins, paper money and related numismatic items are sold yearly.

Coin shops, Rare Coin Firms, Gold & Silver Exchanges, Investment Firms

Auction Houses, E-Bay, Mail-order Businesses.

Hundreds of coin shows each year in cities across the country generates hundreds of millions of dollars.
NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY

- Largest collector hobby in the world
- Hundreds of thousands of collectors and investors
- Hundreds of local coin clubs
- State and National Associations
- Specialized Numismatic Associations

www.money.org
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TYPES OF COINS

Barber Half
3 Cent Silver
Walking Liberty Half

Silver Dollar

Half Dime
Buffalo Nickel

Gold Half Eagle
Shield Nickel
Morgan Dollar
TYPES OF PAPER MONEY

Federal Reserve Note  National Bank Note  Confederate Note

Silver Certificate  Obsolete Note
NUMISMATIC GRADING

- Grading is used to determine the condition of a coin, paper money or related numismatic item.
- Numismatic items are graded on a scale from poor, vg, fine, very fine, extra fine, and almost uncirculated.
- Uncirculated conditions range from Mint State 60-70.
- The condition of a numismatic item determines the value along with the number issued.
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THIRD PARTY GRADING

1832 PCGS MS63 13 Stars
Series: 63 Coin: 25
8156 63/4899769

Fr. 249 1899 S2 Silver Certificate
Choice About New 58PPQ

GRADING COMPANIES

PCGS NGC ANACS CGA PMG
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HOUSING AND STORING NUMISMATIC ITEMS

2x2 holders  Whitman Folder  Plastic Pages  2x2 Flips

Capitol Plastic  Dansco Album  Plastic Sleeves  Storage Box
PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH NUMISMATIC CRIMES

- Numismatics is a specialized area of investigation
- Lack of knowledge within law enforcement in the area of numismatic crime investigations
- Frustration between the victim and law enforcement during the investigative process
- Lack of specialized training in the area of numismatic crime investigations
WHERE DO OFFENSES OCCUR

- Coin Shops
- Gold & Silver Exchanges
- To and From Numismatic Events
- Mail-order
- Phone Solicitation
- Homes
- On-Line Auctions
- Coin Shows
Who Commits Numismatic Crimes

- Well organized groups
- Columbian Gangs
- Russian Mafia
- Individuals using the internet to commit fraud
- Individuals conducting investment fraud
- Individuals preying on dealers and collectors
FIRST RESPONDER PROBLEMS

• Patrol Officer first on scene to take report
• Probably never taken a numismatic offense report
• Lack of knowledge about the numismatic industry
• Insurance scam (Yes or No)
• Increased apprehension between officer and victim
Disposing of Coins and Currency

- Coin Shops
- Gold & Silver Exchanges
- Flea Markets
- Antique Malls
- On-line Auctions
- E-Bay
- Coin Shows
- Pawn Shops
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LOCAL RESOURCES

• Coin Clubs
• Coin Dealers
• Collectors
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FREE INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT
MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Numismatic Crime Information Center is to serve as a national and international resource for collectors, dealers and law enforcement in the education, prevention and investigation of crimes involving coins, paper money, tokens and related numismatic items.
The Numismatic Crime Information Center provides data, tools, specialized expertise, training, education and investigative support to law enforcement and the numismatic community in all areas related to numismatic crimes.
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Resources for Law Enforcement

- Maintains a centralized database of numismatic crimes
- Experienced numismatic investigators on staff
- Technical case assistance and evaluation
- Analyzes data and identifies similarities and patterns in cases across the country
- Database searches to correlate lead and suspect information
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• Serves as a catalyst for rapid dissemination of information to law enforcement and the numismatic community
• Assists law enforcement in the proper identification and inventory of numismatic items
• Maintains a network of numismatic experts to assist law enforcement
• Provides specialized training in numismatic investigations to law enforcement
The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging people to study and collect money and related items.
The National Bank Note Census is the most comprehensive resource for collectors, dealers and researchers of National Bank Notes. The National Bank Note Census maintains a database of reported stolen notes which provides law enforcement with a valuable tool during the investigation of a numismatic crime where the loss includes National Bank Notes.
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Numismatic Community/Industry

Working Together to 
“Bridge the Gap”
SPECIAL THANKS.......... AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
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PROFESSIONAL COIN DEALERS ASSOCIATION