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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Sept. 6, 2019



Hurricane Dorian is a deadly storm, and thankfully Florida was spared a direct hit. But sadly, our friends in the Bahamas have experienced loss and devastation. Parts of the Bahamas were destroyed as Dorian hovered over the chain of islands for two days—lives were lost, and entire neighborhoods leveled.

My heart breaks for the Bahamians and Floridians are already trying to help. Unfortunately, when we see catastrophic events like these, we also see scammers rush in to prey on the good intentions of generous Floridians.

For those who plan to help the Bahamas-restoration efforts by donating, please take steps to ensure your donation is going to a legitimate charity.

You can do this by:

- Being proactive and donating to a reputable charity now, rather than waiting to be solicited;
- Avoid solicitors using high-pressure tactics to persuade you to give;
- Determine whether a charity is legitimate by visiting [CharityNavigator.org](https://www.charitynavigator.org); and
- Check to see what percentage of each donation goes to overhead and administrative costs.

Finally, if you suspect charity fraud, please help us in our efforts by calling (866) 9NO-SCAM or by visiting [MyFloridaLegal.com](https://www.MyFloridaLegal.com).

By working together to stop charity fraud and ensuring donations go to help those suffering, we

not only help our neighbors in the Bahamas, we can build a stronger, safer Florida.

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