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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Nov. 19, 2021



It's International Fraud Awareness Week and one of the best ways to fight fraud is to empower consumers with information and resources to spot and avoid scams. Fraudsters work day and night to trick consumers into parting with their hard-earned money.

The [Association of Certified Fraud Examiners](#) estimates that businesses worldwide lose 5% of revenue each year to fraud, totaling [more than \\$4.5 trillion lost annually](#). In the United States, the [Federal Trade Commission](#) received more than 2.1 million fraud reports from consumers last year, with reported consumer-related losses adding up to more than \$3.3 billion.

It's so important to stay ahead of the latest trends and take steps to avoid falling prey to fraud. To guard against common fraud schemes:

- Use credit cards instead of debit cards when purchasing products or services—especially online;
- Never provide financial or personal information in response to a solicitation;
- Refrain from opening emails from unknown senders; and

- Utilize strong passwords that incorporate a mixture of capitalized and lowercase letters, numbers and special characters. Do not use the same password across multiple accounts.

For more information about common and emerging scams visit [MyFloridaLegal.com](https://www.myfloridalegal.com).

By taking steps to avoid falling victim to fraud and reporting scams when you see them, you can help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.

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Attorney General Moody Leads Efforts to Stop Robocallers from Misusing Legitimate Phone Numbers

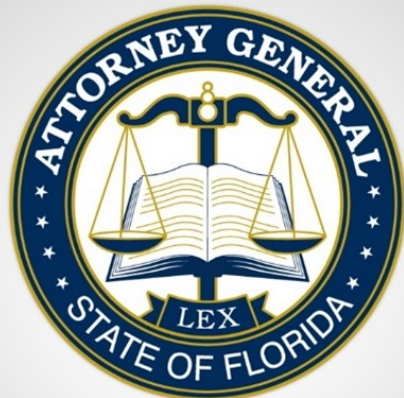


Attorney General Ashley Moody is leading efforts to garner support for the Federal Communications Commission's continued attempts to fight illegal robocalls. Scammers are finding ways to circumvent previously implemented anti-robocall technology to continue bombarding citizens with scam messages.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Working with the FCC, we have been successful in reducing the number of scam robocalls targeting Americans. Unfortunately, in recent months, scammers have found ways to circumvent the technology created to protect our citizens from fraudulent robocall messages. I asked the FCC to continue its efforts to reduce the number of calls by implementing stricter processes on companies that assign and distribute telephone numbers."

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Attorney General Moody Challenges Unlawful Vaccine Mandate Threatening to Exacerbate Health Care Worker Shortage Crisis



Attorney General Ashley Moody

Attorney General Ashley Moody is suing the Biden administration over the unlawful CMS vaccine mandate that threatens to exacerbate the health care worker shortage. The unlawful mandate comes as the nation is already experiencing what some are calling the worst health care labor crisis in memory. More than 90% of long-term care facilities in Florida report staffing shortages and President Biden's unlawful mandate will make the situation worse. A poll published in October found that more than 70% of unvaccinated workers would quit a job if vaccination became a prerequisite of employment. Many health care workers have natural immunity; however, the unlawful CMS rule makes no exception for those who previously contracted COVID-19.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Seeing his job approval ratings plummet and losing control of the media narrative, President Biden, who once lauded these medical professionals as heroes sacrificing their safety to save Americans from COVID, now abandons them in a feeble attempt to score political points at the worst possible time—making another disastrous policy decision based on politics just as pandemic burnout is thinning our health care ranks and creating a dire staffing shortage."

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Attorney General Moody Announces Lengthy Prison Sentence for Georgia Man Trafficking Meth in Florida

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Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution secured a 30-year state prison sentence for a Georgia man trafficking large amounts of methamphetamine in Florida. Attorney General Moody announced the sentencing of James John Kamisky on charges including conspiracy to traffic in methamphetamine and trafficking in more than 1,700 grams of meth along with other related crimes. In addition to the lengthy state prison sentence, Kamisky is also required to pay a \$250,000 fine.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Stopping the influx of deadly drugs into our state is key to helping us prevent addiction and save lives. Meth is an extremely dangerous drug, and we will not allow traffickers to sell this poison to Floridians. A Georgia man tried, but he was arrested and my Statewide Prosecutors made sure he will serve a lengthy sentence behind bars for his crimes." [Read More](#)



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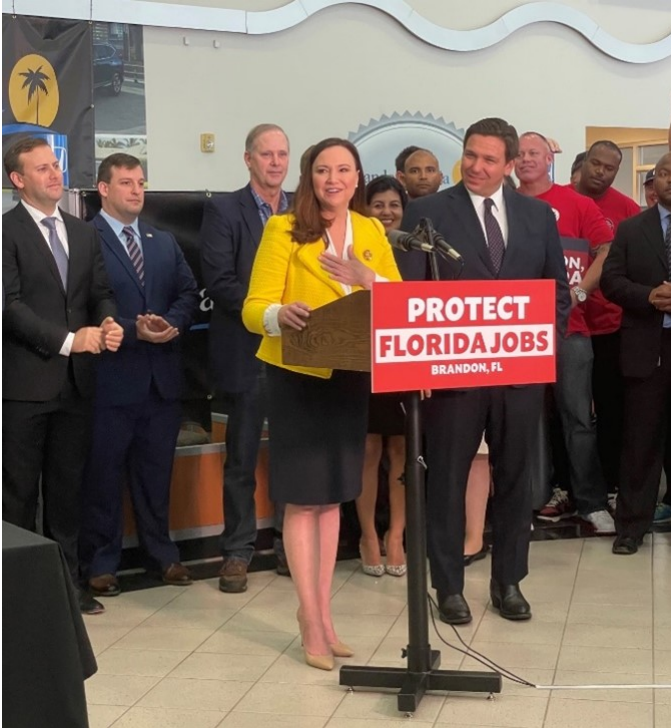
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General Ashley Moody is leading a nationwide investigation into Meta Platforms, Inc., formerly known as Facebook, for conduct relating to use of its social media platform Instagram by children and young adults. Attorneys General across the country are examining whether the company violated state consumer protection laws and put the public at risk by carelessly promoting the platform to younger users.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "We have serious concerns about how social media is impacting the lives of young people in this country, and as a mother, I want to know how Facebook/Meta is targeting youth and what strategies this Big Tech giant is using to entice children and teens to lengthen engagement on its platforms. I am proud to lead these efforts with our partner states to find out if Meta violated any consumer protection laws and put our children at risk." [Read More](#)

Events

This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody joined Governor Ron DeSantis in Brandon to announce a lawsuit aimed at halting the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service vaccine mandate for health care workers. To watch the news conference, click [here](#).



Attorney General Moody at Sarasota City Hall with the Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Manager and Police Chief accepting the Key to the City of Sarasota.



From left to right: Sarasota Vice Mayor Kyle Battie, Attorney General Moody, Sarasota Mayor Arroyo, Sarasota City Manager Marlon Brown and Sarasota Police Chief Rex Troche