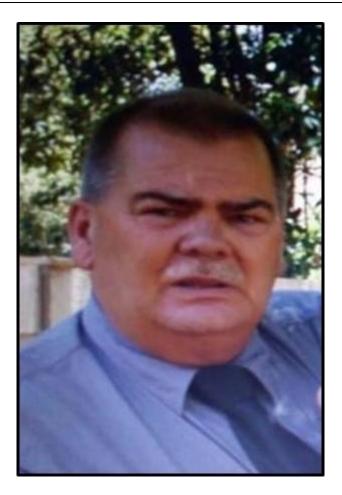


PROJECT: KNOCKS AND SCAMS PERSISTENT CONFIDENCE TRICKSTER MARIUS JONCK

It is important to note that scammers are not limited to online platforms. They are everywhere. Some of them go to the extent of establishing trusting relationships with people to exploit them financially.

SSS has a team of specialist investigators who are actively working to catch these criminals. Our clients contacted Mr Mike Bolhuis requesting his assistance regarding Marius Jonck, who took money from them and promised to pay them back but never did.



PERSONAL DETAILS:

- Name and Surname: MARIUS JONCK
- Address: VEREENIGING

CASE 1:

- Our client is an 82-year-old gentleman.
- Both our client and Mr Jonck live on the same property in the caravan park.
- In 2022, Mr Jonck and our client were standing at our client's vehicle when Mr Jonck noticed that our client had a considerable amount of cash hidden in his vehicle.
- Our client kept the money in his vehicle as he did not trust the bank.
- The money was our client's life savings and would be used to pay their rent, medical bills, and food.
- Our client trusted Mr Jonck and often requested his help to draw their SASSA money, pay their accounts or help them buy groceries.

- After seeing the amount of money in the vehicle, Mr Jonck kept on borrowing significant sums of money from 2022 to 2023.
- Every time our client asked for the return of the money, Mr Jonck made an excuse as to why he could not repay the money and then promised our client that he would pay the money back later.
- To this day, Mr Jonck has not returned a cent to our client.

CASE 2:

- Our client, a 73-year-old lady, was living in the same caravan park as Mr Jonck.
- Mr Jonck overheard our client's conversation with her friends regarding a fraud case she had reported and how she had been scammed out of an enormous amount of money.
- According to our client, Mr Jonck told our client that he was an investigator and he could assist her with the criminal investigation as well as the civil matter.
- By that time, the suspect in the fraud case had already been arrested by the Hawks, and the state had frozen his bank accounts.
- Mr Jonck requested that our client pay R3,500.00 so he could immediately get all the relevant information on the suspect.
- The same day, Mr Jonck returned and gave our client some information on the suspect.
- He then requested an additional R30,000.00 from our client to assist her further with the legal matter and have the suspect's bank account frozen.
- He later told our client that he would return the money to her.
- Our client made an immediate payment of R30,000.00.
- After that, Mr Jonck kept promising to return the money from the investigation, but to this day, he has not done so.

SSS specialist investigators contacted Mr Jonck, who stated that he has no intention of running away and plans to pay back all the money owed to our clients.

Despite making several promises to the investigator, Mr Jonck has not yet repaid any of the money.

OTHER SWINDLERS CURRENTLY BEING INVESTIGATED:

- <u>https://mikebh.link/QEpuaq</u>
- <u>https://mikebh.link/px5ck1</u>
- <u>https://mikebh.link/rBRGsb</u>
- <u>https://mikebh.link/iCuALJ</u>

Recognising a confidence trickster, often referred to as a "con artist" or "scammer," can be challenging, as they are skilled at manipulating people's trust and emotions. These individuals exploit psychological tactics to deceive and defraud.

Here are some common signs and behaviours to help you recognise a confidence trickster:

• Charming and Persuasive:

- Confidence tricksters are often highly charismatic and persuasive.
- They use their charm to gain your trust and build a rapport quickly.
- Too Good to Be True:
 - They offer you something that seems too good to pass up, such as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, a fantastic deal, or insider information.

• Pressure to Act Quickly:

 Tricksters create a sense of urgency, pressuring you to make decisions or act without giving you time to think things through.

• Inconsistent Stories:

- They may provide inconsistent or changing details about themselves and their background.
- This makes it difficult for you to verify their claims.

• Request for Money or Personal Information:

- Tricksters often ask for money or personal information, such as your financial details or credit card information.
- $_{\circ}$ $\,$ They use this for financial gain or identity theft.

Highly Secretive:

 They insist on keeping things confidential and discourage you from discussing their proposal with others or seeking advice from trusted friends or professionals.

• Flattery and Empathy:

• Tricksters may use flattery and empathy to manipulate your emotions and lower your guard.

• They make you feel special and understood.

• Playing on Emotions:

 They exploit emotions such as fear, greed, or compassion to cloud your judgment and make you more susceptible to their schemes.

Complex Jargon:

 Tricksters may use complex language, technical terms, or industry-specific jargon to confuse and intimidate you, making it difficult to question their expertise.

• Impersonation:

• Tricksters may impersonate legitimate individuals, organisations, or authorities to gain your trust.

• Unsolicited Contacts:

 Be cautious of unsolicited phone calls, emails, or messages from people or organizations you have never interacted with before.

Overcoming Objections:

 They are skilled at overcoming your objections and concerns, providing seemingly logical explanations to dispel doubt.

• Quick Changes in Circumstances:

 Confidence tricksters often create scenarios where they experience unexpected financial hardship or emergencies, asking for your help or money.

• Trust Your Gut:

- If something does not feel right or raises suspicion, trust your instincts.
- It's better to be cautious and do more research before proceeding.

Remember that confidence tricksters can be highly deceptive, and their tactics evolve over time.

Staying informed and sceptical is crucial to protect yourself from falling victim to their schemes.

If you suspect you are dealing with a confidence trickster, it is advisable to disengage and seek advice from trusted sources.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF THIS PERSON OR IF YOU HAVE ANY RELEVANT INFORMATION REGARDING HIM, PLEASE CONTACT OUR SPECIALIST INVESTIGATOR, MR MORNEY VOS:

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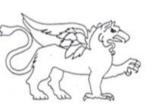
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