
Subject: Re: Someone fell for this...

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Quote:John Rempel said he quit his truck driving job, lost friends, borrowed money and crossed the globe in pursuit of a non-existent inheritance, after he was contacted by e-mail in what is known as a Nigerian 419 scam.

Quote:His troubles began in July 2007. He said he got an e-mail from someone claiming to be a lawyer with a client named David Rempel who died in a 2005 bomb attack in London, England, and left behind \$12.8 million.

This is where you got the snail mail misconception from:

Quote:"They used to come in the mail," said Leamington police Const. Kevin O'Neil. "Now the majority of these are sent through e-mail. Keeping up with the times, using all the wonderful technology that's available to them."

Oh, and even if it was through snail mail, my point remains valid for two reasons: (1) once you know of a scam, you should *conceivably* be aware of it even if it's through a different medium, and (2) you still don't give money to someone from a different country who merely promises to give you more money in return.
