

Let A Private Investigator Conduct an Asset Search For You
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Some people think that conducting an asset search is something that is done in order to track down lost funds from a bank account that they forgot that they had. Others, however, may have been told that they should conduct an asset search for other reasons.

Why might someone need to conduct an asset search? Here are a few reasons:

If you work within collections and are unable to secure payment because the individual seems to have no means to pay, an asset search can find properties and more that have been suspiciously transferred – as if to hide them from creditors;

If you have reason to suspect that you might be the victim of a scam, you can use an asset search to determine whether the individual in question has used different Social Security numbers in the past or to determine if other individuals are using the same social security number;

If you are thinking about going into business with someone, you can use an asset search to verify the names, social security number, past addresses and more of the individual – identifying not only the individual's assets but also to verify his or her identity;

If you are involved in a legal dispute and want to determine whether or not the individual has other accounts that have not been acknowledged.

A private investigator can conduct an asset search that will allow you to determine a number of things about an individual. More important, however, than identifying whether or not a person is who he or she says, an asset search will help to identify whether or not the individual is hiding something.

With an asset search, you'll be able to learn more about an individual's tangible properties: his or her home, car, other vehicles, bank accounts, stocks, bonds, and insurance policies. An asset search will also identify the person's intangible properties – things like income from rental properties or patents, contracts, royalties and wages.

The information that can be found by a private investigator during an asset search can be used in a number of ways. It can help you when you are going into a legal case such as filing for divorce or attempting to collect child support. It can be used if a will is being contested. The information can also be used when you are entering into a legal agreement with someone.

While you could conduct an asset search on a smaller scale on your own, a private investigator who has experience with finding information can conduct a search far more efficiently. Someone with experience conducting an asset search will be in a better position to ask the right questions of employers and know which public records indexes should be searched for more information; hiring someone with experience conducting an asset search can help to save you time and money while still providing you with the information that you need.

When you hire a private investigator to conduct an asset search, you can be sure that you're going to get the information that you need – whether you are looking for information for personal or professional reasons.

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