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**§ 1346.  Definition of "scheme or artifice to defraud"**

For the purposes of this chapter [Chapter 63, beginning with [18 U.S.C. §§ 1341](http://www.lexis.com/research/buttonTFLink?_m=b88363db9f52da0e0ee4d1ce43c43e1a&_xfercite=%3ccite%20cc%3d%22USA%22%3e%3c%21%5bCDATA%5b18%20USCS%20%a7%201346%5d%5d%3e%3c%2fcite%3e&_butType=4&_butStat=0&_butNum=4&_butInline=1&_butinfo=18%20USC%201341&_fmtstr=FULL&docnum=1&_startdoc=1&wchp=dGLzVzz-zSkAb&_md5=cc281e7aef01653650f8f78b9c5be706) et seq.], the term "scheme or artifice to defraud" includes a scheme or artifice to deprive another of the intangible right of honest services.

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