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Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXX>> Enrollment Deadline: November 29, 2025

To Enroll, Scan the QR Code Below:



Or Visit: https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect

August 29, 2025

RE: << Notice of Data Breach>>

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name >>:

Adams Samartino & Co., PC ("Adams Samartino") writes to inform you of an incident that may have involved some of your information as described below. We take the privacy and security of all information in our care seriously. While there is no indication that any information has been or will be misused, we are providing information about the event and steps you can take to help protect your information, should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

What Happened: On or around March 6, 2025, Adams Samartino discovered suspicious activity related to an employee's email account. Upon discovery, Adams Samartino took immediate action to secure the account and engaged a team of third-party specialists to investigate the incident. The investigation determined that an unauthorized individual had gained access to an employee's email account for a limited time. Adams Samartino then reviewed the contents of the email account to determine the types of information contained therein and to whom that information related. On June 4, 2025, following a thorough review, Adams Samartino determined that a limited amount of personal information may have been accessed by an unauthorized party in connection with this incident. Adams Samartino then diligently worked to obtain address information for potentially affected individuals and completed this process on July 31, 2025.

<u>What Information Was Involved</u>: The potentially accessed information may have included your name in combination with your << Data Elements>>.

What We Are Doing: Adams Samartino has taken steps to address the event and is committed to protecting the information in its care. Upon learning of this event, Adams Samartino took steps to secure the email account and undertook a thorough investigation. Adams Samartino also implemented additional technical safeguards to further enhance the security of information in its possession and to prevent similar incidents from happening in the future. As an additional safeguard, Adams Samartino is offering you << Membership Offering Length: 12 months / 24 months >> of complimentary credit monitoring and identity protection services. Information about how to enroll in these services along with additional resources available to you are included in the attached Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information.

What You Can Do: In addition to enrolling in the complimentary credit monitoring service detailed below, we recommend that you remain vigilant over the next 12 to 24 months against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports/account statements for suspicious activity and to detect errors. If you discover any suspicious or unusual activity on your accounts, please promptly change your password, contact the financial institution or company if applicable, and take any additional steps needed to protect your account. Additionally, please report any suspicious incidents to local law enforcement and/or your state Attorney General.

For More Information: Should you have questions or concerns regarding this matter, please call our dedicated assistance line at 1-800-939-4170 Monday through Friday from 9 am - 9 pm Eastern Time or write us at 751 Farmington Ave, Bristol, CT 06010.

Adams Samartino takes the security of information entrusted to its care seriously. While it is regrettable this incident occurred, please be assured Adams Samartino is taking appropriate actions to rectify the situation and prevent such incidents in the future.

Sincerely,

Adams Samartino & Co., PC

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

Enroll in Credit Monitoring Services

- **1. Website and Enrollment.** Scan the QR image or go to https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter.
- **2. Activate the credit monitoring provided** as part of your IDX identity protection membership. The monitoring included in the membership must be activated to be effective. Note: You must have established credit and access to a computer and the internet to use this service. If you need assistance, IDX will be able to assist you.
- **3. Telephone.** Contact IDX at 1-800-939-4170 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

Monitor Your Accounts

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports and account statements for suspicious activity and to detect errors. Under U.S. law, you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, TransUnion, Experian, and Equifax. To order your free credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call 1-877-322-8228. Once you receive your credit report, review it for discrepancies and identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting bureau.

You have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a one-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, you have the right to place a "credit freeze" on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without your express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a credit freeze may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on your credit report. To request a credit freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth:
- 4. Address for the prior two to five years;
- 5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility or telephone bill;
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (e.g., state driver's license or identification card);
- 7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft, if you are a victim of identity theft.

Should you wish to place a fraud alert or credit freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

TransUnion	Experian	Equifax
1-800-680-7289	1-888-397-3742	1-888-298-0045
www.transunion.com	www.experian.com	www.equifax.com
TransUnion Fraud Alert	Experian Fraud Alert	Equifax Fraud Alert
P.O. Box 2000	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 105069
Chester, PA 19016-2000	Allen, TX 75013	Atlanta, GA 30348-5069

TransUnion Credit Freeze	
P.O. Box 160	
Woodlyn, PA 19094	

Experian Credit Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 **Equifax Credit Freeze** P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788

Additional Information

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the credit reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), or your state Attorney General. The FTC also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. The FTC may be reached at 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; www.identitytheft.gov; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261.

You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement, your state Attorney General, and the FTC. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

For Maryland residents, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-888-743-0023; and https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/. Adams Samartino may be contacted at 751 Farmington Ave, Bristol, CT 06010.

For New York residents, the New York Attorney General may be contacted at Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or https://ag.ny.gov.

For North Carolina residents, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and www.ncdoj.gov.

For Rhode Island residents, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be contacted at 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903; 1-401-274-4400; and www.riag.ri.gov. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. There is 1 Rhode Island resident impacted by this incident.

For Washington, D.C. residents, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at 400 6th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001; 202-727-3400, and https://oag.dc.gov/consumer-protection. Adams Samartino may be contacted at 751 Farmington Ave, Bristol, CT 06010.