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#### **Notice of Cybersecurity Incident**

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We are writing to inform you of a cybersecurity incident which affected W&D Law, LLP ("W&D"), a multi-practice law firm with offices in California, Nevada, Arizona, and Colorado. The cybersecurity incident may have resulted in the potential compromise of some of your data. While we have no indication that your information has been misused, this letter contains information about the incident and information about how to help protect your personal information going forward. W&D considers the protection of sensitive information a top priority, and sincerely apologizes for any inconvenience as a result of the incident.

#### What Happened

On October 22, 2021, W&D experienced a cybersecurity incident which caused network disruption issues. Immediately, W&D launched an investigation to determine the nature and scope of the incident, including engaging third-party cybersecurity experts to assist in remediation and investigation. The investigation revealed that an unauthorized party may have gained access to certain files stored on the firm's local network. Subsequently, W&D began a review of these files to determine the type of data contained therein. The review confirmed that some of your personal information was contained in the files.

#### What Information Was Involved

While we have no reason to believe that your information has been misused as a result of this incident, we are notifying you out of an abundance of caution and for purposes of full transparency. Based on the investigation, the unauthorized party may have had access to your name, date of birth, Social Security number, driver's license number, financial account information, credit or debit card number, and/or tax information.

#### What We Are Doing

Data security is among W&D's highest priorities, and we have extensive measures in place to protect information entrusted to us. To help prevent similar incidents from happening in the future, we strengthened our security posture by: reinforcing secure authentication requirements; updating intrusion detection and intrusion prevention policies; hardening network security by implementing new monitoring and filtering hardware and software; and revising access control policies and procedures.

We are also providing you with 24 months of complimentary identity monitoring services through Kroll. W&D strongly encourages you to take advantage of these services. Details on how to activate these services can be found below.

Visit https://enroll.krollmonitoring.com to activate and take advantage of your identity monitoring services. *You have until <<b2b\_text\_6(activation deadline)>> to activate your identity monitoring services.* Membership Number: <<<br/>
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For more information about Kroll and your Identity Monitoring services, you can visit info.krollmonitoring.com.

If you prefer to activate these services offline and receive monitoring alerts via the US Postal Service, you may activate via our automated phone system by calling 1-888-653-0511, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central time, excluding major U.S. holidays. Please have your membership number located in your letter ready when calling. Please note that to activate monitoring services, you will be required to provide your name, date of birth, and Social Security number through our automated phone system.

Additional information describing your services is included with this letter.

## What You Can Do

We recommend that you continue to remain vigilant in monitoring your personal information. As a precaution, we recommend you review statements you receive from your financial institutions. There are additional steps you can take to help protect yourself, including place a fraud alert or security freeze on your account, which are contained in the supplement to this letter titled "*Additional Important Information*."

The protection of your information is a top priority, and we sincerely regret any concern or inconvenience that this matter may cause. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call 1-???-???? Monday through Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM Central Time, excluding some U.S. holidays.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL C. RANDALL Lead Information Technology Administrator W&D Law, LLP

## Additional Important Information

**For residents of** *Hawaii, Michigan, Missouri, Virginia, Vermont, and North Carolina:* It is recommended by state law that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and monitoring your credit report for unauthorized activity.

# For residents of Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Oregon, and West Virginia:

It is required by state laws to inform you that you may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, whether or not you suspect any unauthorized activity on your account. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three nationwide credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u>, or call toll-free at 1-877-322-8228. You can also order your annual free credit report by mailing a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

## For residents of *Iowa*:

State law advises you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

## For residents of Oregon:

State laws advise you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement, including the Attorney General, and the Federal Trade Commission.

## For residents of Maryland, Rhode Island, Illinois, New York, and North Carolina:

You can obtain information from the Maryland and North Carolina Offices of the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft.

Maryland Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division 200, St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 1-888-743-0023 <u>www.oag.state.md.us</u>

Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection 150 South Main Street, Providence RI 02903 1-401-274-4400 <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>

North Carolina Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division, 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 1-877-566-7226 <u>www.ncdoj.com</u>

**Federal Trade Commission** Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) www.ftc.gov/idtheft

**New York Office of Attorney General** Consumer Frauds & Protection, The Capitol Albany, NY 12224 1-800-771-7755 <u>https://ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds/identity-theft</u>

**For residents of** *Massachusetts*: It is required by state law that you are informed of your right to obtain a police report if you are a victim of identity theft

#### For residents of all states:

Fair Credit Reporting Act: You are also advised that you may have additional rights under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act.

**Fraud Alerts:** You can place fraud alerts with the three credit bureaus by phone and online with Equifax (<u>https://assets.equifax.com/assets/personal/Fraud\_Alert\_Request\_Form.pdf</u>); TransUnion

(<u>https://www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts</u>); or Experian (<u>https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html</u>). A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. As of September 21, 2018, initial fraud alerts last for one year. Victims of identity theft can also get an extended fraud alert for seven years. The phone numbers for all three credit bureaus are at the bottom of this page.

Monitoring: You should always remain vigilant and monitor your accounts for suspicious or unusual activity.

**Security Freeze:** You also have the right to place a security freeze on your credit report. A security freeze is intended to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. To place a security freeze on your credit report, you need to make a request to each consumer reporting agency. You may make that request by certified mail, overnight mail, regular stamped mail, or by following the instructions found at the websites listed below. The

following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse or a minor under the age of 16, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security number; (3) date of birth; (4) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; and (5) any applicable incident report or complaint with a law enforcement agency or the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The request must also include a copy of a government-issued identification card and a copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue. As of September 21, 2018, it is free to place, lift, or remove a security freeze. You may also place a security freeze for children under the age of 16. You may obtain a free security freeze by contacting any one or more of the following national consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 (800)-525-6285 https://www.equifax.com/personal/ credit-report-services/credit-freeze/ Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 (888)-397-3742 www.experian.com/freeze TransUnion (FVAD) P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19022 (800)-680-7289 freeze.transunion.com

More information can also be obtained by contacting the Federal Trade Commission listed above.

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## TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR IDENTITY MONITORING SERVICES

You have been provided with access to the following services from Kroll:

#### Single Bureau Credit Monitoring

You will receive alerts when there are changes to your credit data—for instance, when a new line of credit is applied for in your name. If you do not recognize the activity, you'll have the option to call a Kroll fraud specialist, who will be able to help you determine if it is an indicator of identity theft.

## **Fraud Consultation**

You have unlimited access to consultation with a Kroll fraud specialist. Support includes showing you the most effective ways to protect your identity, explaining your rights and protections under the law, assistance with fraud alerts, and interpreting how personal information is accessed and used, including investigating suspicious activity that could be tied to an identity theft event.

#### **Identity Theft Restoration**

If you become a victim of identity theft, an experienced Kroll licensed investigator will work on your behalf to resolve related issues. You will have access to a dedicated investigator who understands your issues and can do most of the work for you. Your investigator will be able to dig deep to uncover the scope of the identity theft, and then work to resolve it.

Kroll's activation website is only compatible with the current version or one version earlier of Chrome, Firefox, Safari and Edge.

To receive credit services, you must be over the age of 18 and have established credit in the U.S., have a Social Security number in your name, and have a U.S. residential address associated with your credit file.