

February 1, 2023

Dear [REDACTED]

We are writing to notify you that due to a clerical error at a peer financial institution on 1/18/2023, your information was inadvertently disclosed to another party. Your information included your name, address, account number, account balances, and payment history.

We truly apologize for any inconvenience or worry this issue may cause you. We have addressed this with our staff and have reiterated the importance of properly handling and safeguarding customer information and following established procedures.

On the following pages of this letter are some actions you can take to protect yourself and to make yourself aware of your rights. In addition, to help prevent possible misuse of your personal information, we will be offering a complimentary 24-month membership of Experian's® IdentityWorks<sup>SM</sup>. This product provides you with superior identity protection and resolution of identity theft. To activate your membership and start monitoring your personal information, please follow the steps outlined on page three (3) of this communication.

Rockland Trust recommends that you monitor your account(s) vigilantly over the next 12 to 24 months. You can review your account activity using online banking, mobile banking, telephone banking, or your account statements. As a reminder, you can set up alerts through online banking to advise you of activity on your account. If you suspect any additional fraud incidents or suspect identity theft, please report these promptly back to Rockland Trust. In addition, we encourage you to report any incidents of identity theft to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The FTC provides guidance regarding steps you can take to protect against identity theft. To learn more or to take these steps, please call 1.877.IDTHEFT (1.877.438.4338) or visit [consumer.gov/idtheft](https://consumer.gov/idtheft).

In general, it is a good practice to request a copy of your credit report annually. To order your free annual credit report from a national consumer reporting company, visit [annualcreditreport.com](https://annualcreditreport.com), call toll-free 877.322.8228, or complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form and mail it to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281.

Your relationship is important to us. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please contact our Customer Information Center at 508.732.7072. Our associates are available from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sunday.

Thank you for banking with Rockland Trust.

Sincerely,

*Charles F. D'Entremont*

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Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. If you are the victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it.

You may also place a security freeze on your credit reports, free of charge. A security freeze prohibits a credit reporting agency from releasing any information from a consumer's credit report without written authorization. However, please be aware that placing a security freeze on your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prevent the timely approval of any requests you make for new loans, credit mortgages, employment, housing or other services. Under federal law, you cannot be charged to place, lift, or remove a security freeze.

You must place your request for a freeze with each of the three major consumer reporting agencies: Equifax ([www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com)); Experian ([www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com)); and TransUnion ([www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com)).

To place a security freeze on your credit report, you must send a written request to **each** of the three major consumer reporting agencies: Equifax ([www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com)), Experian ([www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com)), and Trans Union ([www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com)) by regular, certified or overnight mail at the addresses below:

Equifax Security Freeze  
P.O. Box 105788  
Atlanta, GA 30348

Experian Security Freeze  
P.O. Box 9554  
Allen, TX 75013

Trans Union Security Freeze  
Fraud Victim Assistance Department  
P.O. Box 2000  
Chester, PA 19022

In order to request a security freeze, you will need to provide some or all of the following information to the credit reporting agency, depending on whether you do so online, by phone, or by mail:

1. Your full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
2. Social Security Number;
3. Date of birth;
4. If you have moved in the past five (5) years, the addresses where you have lived over the prior five years;
5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility bill, telephone bill, rental agreement, or deed;
6. A legible photocopy of a government issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, military identification, etc.);
7. Social Security Card, pay stub, or W2;
8. If you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft.

The credit reporting agencies have one (1) to three (3) business days after receiving your request to place a security freeze on your credit report, based upon the method of your request. The credit bureaus must also send written confirmation to you within five (5) business days and provide you with a unique personal identification number (PIN) or password (or both) that can be used by you to authorize the removal or lifting of the security freeze. It is important to maintain this PIN/password in a secure place, as you will need it to lift or remove the security freeze.

To lift the security freeze in order to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must make a request to each of the credit reporting agencies by mail, through their website, or by phone (using the contact information above). You must provide proper identification (including name, address, and social security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze, as well as the identities of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report. You may also temporarily lift a security freeze for a specified period of time rather than for a specific entity or individual, using the same contact information above. The credit bureaus have between one (1) hour (for requests made online) and three (3) business days (for requests made by mail) after receiving your request to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or for the specified period of time.

To remove the security freeze, you must make a request to each of the credit reporting agencies by mail, through their website, or by phone (using the contact information above). You must provide proper identification (name, address, and social security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. The credit bureaus have between one (1) hour (for requests made online) and three (3) business days (for requests made by mail) after receiving your request to remove the security freeze.

#### **Instructions for Experian's® IdentityWorks<sup>SM</sup> Enrollment:**

To activate your membership and start monitoring your personal information, please follow the steps below:

- Ensure that you **enroll by:** 12/21/2023 (Your code will not work after this date.)
- **Visit** the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: <https://www.experianidworks.com/3bplus>
- Provide your **activation code:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you have questions about the product, need assistance with identity restoration or would like an alternative to enrolling in Experian IdentityWorks online, please contact Experian's customer care team at 877.890.9332 by **12/21/2023**. Be prepared to provide engagement number \_\_\_\_\_ as proof of eligibility for the identity restoration services by Experian.

#### **Additional details regarding your 24-month EXPERIAN IDENTITYWORKS Membership:**

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks.

You can contact Experian **immediately** regarding any fraud issues, and have access to the following features once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks:

- **Experian credit report at signup:** See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.\*
- **Credit Monitoring:** Actively monitors Experian, Equifax and Transunion files for indicators of fraud.
- **Internet Surveillance:** Technology searches the web, chat rooms & bulletin boards 24/7 to identify trading or selling of your personal information on the Dark Web.
- **Identity Restoration:** Identity Restoration specialists are immediately available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.
- **Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE<sup>TM</sup>:** You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- **Up to \$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance<sup>\*\*</sup>:** Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

If you believe there was fraudulent use of your information and would like to discuss how you may be able to resolve those issues, please reach out to an Experian agent at 877.890.9332. If, after discussing your situation with an agent, it is determined that Identity Restoration support is needed, then an Experian Identity Restoration agent is available to work with you to investigate and resolve each incident of fraud that occurred (including, as appropriate, helping you with contacting credit grantors to dispute charges and close accounts; assisting you in placing a freeze on your credit file with the three major credit bureaus; and assisting you with contacting government agencies to help restore your identity to its proper condition).

Please note that this Identity Restoration support is available to you for 24 months from the date of this letter and does not require any action on your part at this time. The Terms and Conditions for this offer are located at [www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration](http://www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration). You will also find self-help tips and information about identity protection at this site.

\* Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling

\*\* The Identity Theft Insurance is underwritten and administered by American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, an Assurant company. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.