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VIA E-MAIL (IDTHEFT@OAG.STATE.MD.US)

Brian E. Frosh
Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General
Attn: Security Breach Notification
200 St. Paul Place
Baltimore, MD 21202

Re: Incident Notification

Dear Attorney General Frosh:

We are writing on behalf of our client, The Mason Tenders' Training Fund ("MTTF"), to notify your office of a cybersecurity incident.

MTTF recently completed an investigation into unauthorized access to its network. Upon discovering the incident, MTTF took steps to secure its network and began the investigation. The investigation determined that an unauthorized person gained access to certain MTTF systems between March 27, 2022 and April 18, 2022. MTTF conducted a thorough review of the data that was potentially subject to unauthorized access. On June 1, 2022, MTTF identified one or more file(s) containing the personal information of two Maryland residents, including the individuals' names and Social Security numbers.

Today, MTTF will mail notification letters to the Maryland residents via U.S. First-Class mail, in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Com. Law § 14-3504.¹ A sample copy of the notification letter is enclosed. MTTF is offering the Maryland residents whose Social Security numbers are involved one year of complimentary credit monitoring, and identity protection services through IDX. MTTF has also established a dedicated, toll-free call center for individuals to call with questions regarding the incident.

¹ This report does not waive MTTF's objection that Maryland lacks regulatory authority over it related to any claims that may arise from this incident.

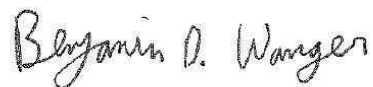
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To reduce the risk of a similar incident from occurring in the future, MTTF is taking steps to enhance already existing security protocols and is providing additional security awareness training for its employees.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Benjamin D. Wanger". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Benjamin D. Wanger
Counsel

Enclosure



P.O. Box 1907
Suwanee, GA 30024

To Enroll, Please Call:

1-833-940-2455

Or Visit:

<https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect>

Enrollment Code:

<<XXXXXXXXXX>>

<<Name 1>> <<Name 2>>
<<Address 1>>
<<City>><<State>><<Zip>>
<<Country>>

June 10, 2022

Dear <<Name 1>> <<Name 2>>:

The Mason Tenders' Training Fund ("MTTF") is committed to protecting the privacy and security of the information we maintain. We are writing to inform you of a data security incident that may have involved some of your personal information. This notice explains the incident, measures we have taken, and some steps that you may consider taking in response.

What happened? We recently became aware of an incident that involved unauthorized access to the MTTF computer network. Upon discovering the incident, we immediately took steps to secure the systems involved and began an investigation. Through the investigation, we determined that an unauthorized actor gained access to certain MTTF systems between March 27, 2022 and April 18, 2022.

What Information Was Involved? Our investigation was unable to determine whether the unauthorized party actually viewed any files maintained on MTTF's computer system servers. Out of an abundance of caution, we reviewed the files contained on MTTF's servers and, on June 1, 2022, we identified one or more file(s) containing your name and Social Security number.

What Are We Doing? We take this incident very seriously and we regret any inconvenience or concern this may cause you. We are taking steps to enhance our existing security protocols and we are providing additional security awareness training for our staff.

In addition, we have secured the services of IDX to offer you one year of complimentary identity monitoring services through IDX. IDX identity protection services include: <<12/24 months>> of credit and CyberScan monitoring, a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services.

We encourage you to contact IDX with any questions and to enroll in free identity protection services by calling 1-833-940-2455 or going to <https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect> and using the Enrollment Code provided above. Please note the deadline to enroll is **September 10, 2022**. For more information on identity theft prevention, please see the pages following this letter.

What Can You Do? We encourage you to enroll in the complimentary identity monitoring services and to remain vigilant by reviewing credit reports for any unauthorized activity. If you see activity you did not authorize, contact the credit bureau reporting the activity immediately. Please also review the information contained in the enclosed "Additional Steps You Can Take."

For More Information. If you have any questions about this incident or the identity monitoring services we are offering to you, please call 1-833-940-2455 from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sean Brennan".

Sean Brennan
Administrator

ADDITIONAL STEPS YOU CAN TAKE

We remind you it is always advisable to be vigilant for incidents of fraud or identity theft by reviewing your account statements and free credit reports for any unauthorized activity. You may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, once every 12 months from each of the three nationwide credit reporting companies. To order your annual free credit report, please visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call toll free at 1-877-322-8228. Contact information for the three nationwide credit reporting companies is as follows:

- *Equifax*, PO Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374, www.equifax.com, 1-800-685-1111
- *Experian*, PO Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013, www.experian.com, 1-888-397-3742
- *TransUnion*, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, www.transunion.com, 1-800-916-8800

If you believe you are the victim of identity theft or have reason to believe your personal information has been misused, you should immediately contact the Federal Trade Commission and/or the Attorney General's office in your state. You can obtain information from these sources about steps an individual can take to avoid identity theft as well as information about fraud alerts and security freezes. You should also contact your local law enforcement authorities and file a police report. Obtain a copy of the police report in case you are asked to provide copies to creditors to correct your records. Contact information for the Federal Trade Commission is as follows:

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

Fraud Alerts and Credit or Security Freezes:

Fraud Alerts: There are two types of general fraud alerts you can place on your credit report to put your creditors on notice that you may be a victim of fraud—an initial alert and an extended alert. You may ask that an initial fraud alert be placed on your credit report if you suspect you have been, or are about to be, a victim of identity theft. An initial fraud alert stays on your credit report for one year. You may have an extended alert placed on your credit report if you have already been a victim of identity theft with the appropriate documentary proof. An extended fraud alert stays on your credit report for seven years.

To place a fraud alert on your credit reports, contact one of the nationwide credit bureaus. A fraud alert is free. The credit bureau you contact must tell the other two, and all three will place an alert on their versions of your report.

For those in the military who want to protect their credit while deployed, an Active Duty Military Fraud Alert lasts for one year and can be renewed for the length of your deployment. The credit bureaus will also take you off their marketing lists for pre-screened credit card offers for two years, unless you ask them not to.

Credit or Security Freezes: You have the right to put a credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, on your credit file, free of charge, which makes it more difficult for identity thieves to open new accounts in your name. That's because most creditors need to see your credit report before they approve a new account. If they can't see your report, they may not extend the credit.

How do I place a freeze on my credit reports? There is no fee to place or lift a security freeze. Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at each credit reporting company. For information and instructions to place a security freeze, contact each of the credit reporting agencies at the addresses below:

- **Experian Security Freeze**, PO Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013, www.experian.com
- **TransUnion Security Freeze**, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, www.transunion.com
- **Equifax Security Freeze**, PO Box 105788, Atlanta, GA 30348, www.equifax.com

You'll need to supply your name, address, date of birth, Social Security number and other personal information.

After receiving your freeze request, each credit bureau will provide you with a unique PIN (personal identification number) or password. Keep the PIN or password in a safe place. You will need it if you choose to lift the freeze.

How do I lift a freeze? A freeze remains in place until you ask the credit bureau to temporarily lift it or remove it altogether. If the request is made online or by phone, a credit bureau must lift a freeze within one hour. If the request is made by mail, then the bureau must lift the freeze no later than three business days after getting your request.

If you opt for a temporary lift because you are applying for credit or a job, and you can find out which credit bureau the business will contact for your file, you can save some time by lifting the freeze only at that particular credit bureau. Otherwise, you need to make the request with all three credit bureaus.

You may contact the Mason Tenders' Training Fund by telephone at 718-383-6863 or by mail at 4253 21st St., Long Island City, NY 11101.

Additional Information for Residents of the Following States:

Maryland: You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: Maryland Attorney General's Office, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202, 1-888-743-0023 / 1-410-576-6300, www.oag.state.md.us

New York: You may contact and obtain information from these state agencies:

- New York Department of State Division of Consumer Protection, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231-0001, 518-474-8583 / 1-800-697-1220, <http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection>
- New York State Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341, 1-800-771-7755, <https://ag.ny.gov>

North Carolina: You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: North Carolina Attorney General's Office, 9001 Mail Service Centre, Raleigh, NC 27699, 1-919-716-6000 / 1-877-566-7226, www.ncdoj.gov

Rhode Island: This incident involves one individual in Rhode Island. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to file and obtain a copy of a police report. You also have the right to request a security freeze, as described above. You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: Rhode Island Attorney General's Office, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903, 1-401-274-4400, www.riag.ri.gov