

Please accept this as our notification of security breach. The specifics are as follows:

Firm where breach occurred: M. Green and Company LLP

Data breach occurred on May 18, 2022

Loss of data was determined on July 14, 2022

Forensic investigation was completed on September 19, 2022

4 Maryland residents were affected

Information breached: name, address, social security number OR business tax identification number

How breach occurred: Breach occurred via an email sent with a Google document attachment that appeared to be from a client but was a spoofed email address/account. Accessing the attachment allowed unauthorized access to our company servers.

Attached is the notification to be sent to Maryland residents.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or any additional information is needed.

Regards,

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M. GREEN AND COMPANY LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

NOTICE OF DATA BREACH

M. Green and Company LLP (M. Green) is writing to provide you with a formal notification of an event in which your personal information may have been accessed. This letter serves to provide additional information concerning the incident, what has been done to correct it, and what you can do to further protect your information.

What Happened?

On July 14, 2022, our office discovered that unidentified data on our network computers was obtained by an unauthorized user. M. Green and Company commenced an investigation to determine the nature and scope of the incident. As part of the investigation, M. Green engaged a forensic IT consultant to determine which information was downloaded. We then undertook a diligent and thorough review of the impacted documents to determine what information these documents contained and to whom that information related which took several weeks. We completed this investigation on September 19, 2022, and then worked to provide notice to those whose information was found within the documents. We have no indication that your sensitive data has been misused in any manner.

What Information Was Involved?

For Individuals: The information could have included your name, gender, date of birth, telephone number(s), address, and social security number.

For Entities: The information accessed could have included your company name, Federal Employer Identification Number, address, telephone number; employee and/or 1099 recipient information; partner, shareholder/officer or beneficiary names, addresses, and social security numbers.

What We Are Doing:

The confidentiality, privacy and security of your information are among M. Green's highest priorities. The following steps have been taken: (1) immediate enhancements to our systems and security, and practices have been implemented to prevent unauthorized access in the future; (2) passwords have been changed; and (3) we have engaged experts to assist us in conducting a full review of our security practices and systems to ensure that appropriate security protocols, including network firewalls, are in place and properly functioning.

Further, we are working with the appropriate agencies on your behalf such as the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), have notified federal and local law enforcement, and are notifying affected individuals and businesses, including you, to provide information on steps you can take to protect your information.

What You Can Do:

We strongly recommend you remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud, to review your account statements, and to monitor your credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors.

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. To order your free credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call, toll free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of your credit report.

We also suggest you contact the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-438-4338 and the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213 about getting an Identity Protection PIN to use with your Social Security Number that criminals do not know. If you suspect identity theft, report it to law enforcement, including the Federal Trade Commission at <https://www.identitytheft.gov/Assistant#> and the State Attorney General's Office at naag.org.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, 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, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any one of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

Equifax P.O. Box 740241 Atlanta, GA 30374 1-800-525-6285 https://www.alerts.equifax.com/AutoFraud_Online/jsp/fraudAlert.jsp	Experian P.O. Box 2104 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742 https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html	TransUnion P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016 1-800-680-7289 https://fraud.transunion.com/fa/fraudAlert/landingPage.jsp
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You may also want to consider contacting these three credit agencies at the phone numbers above to place a credit freeze on your credit file. A credit freeze means potential creditors cannot get your credit report, making it less likely that an identify thief can open new accounts in your name. The cost to place and lift a freeze depends on state law. Find your State Attorney General's Office at naag.org to learn more.

You may further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at:

600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580;
<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/>;
1-877-382-4357.

The protection and privacy of your information has always been a top priority for our firm. After our many years—and sometimes decades—of close business relationships with our clients, we have no words to express how devastating it is to have had this happen. We extend our deepest apologies for any inconvenience this incident may have caused you.

For More Information:

We are committed to helping those people who may have been impacted by this unfortunate situation. Protecting your information is incredibly important to us, as is addressing this incident with the information and assistance you may need. If you have questions, please call <<Call Center Number>> Monday through Friday from 5:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pacific Standard Time. Please have your membership number ready.

Sincerely,

M. Green and Company LLP