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September 21, 2023

Via Email

Office of the Attorney General
Attn: Security Breach Notification
200 St. Paul Place
Baltimore, MD 21202
idtheft@oag.state.md.us

RE: Data Breach Notification

To Whom It May Concern:

We serve as counsel for Jenkoski & Long, CPA (“Jenkinski & Long”) located at 249 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 and write to provide notification of a recent data breach. By providing this notice, Jenkoski & Long does not waive any rights or defenses under Maryland law, including the data breach notification statute.

Jenkinski & Long recently discovered unusual activity on its network and immediately began an investigation, which included working with third-party specialists to determine the nature and scope of the activity. The investigation determined there was unauthorized access to one of Jenkinski & Long’s network drives. Therefore, Jenkinski & Long conducted a review of the contents of the drive to determine the type of information contained therein. On July 11, 2023, Jenkinski & Long completed their initial review and conducted further analysis to confirm the identities of potentially affected individuals. On August 4, 2023, Jenkinski & Long confirmed the individuals and the types of data potentially impacted. The types of information included in the network drive included the individual’s name and Social Security number. On September 15, 2023, Jenkinski & Long first identified one Maryland resident via the National Change of Address system, who may have been impacted by this incident.

On September 21, 2023, Jenkinski & Long provided written notice to the potentially impacted individuals via U.S. mail. A copy of the notice is attached as **Exhibit A**. In an abundance of caution, Jenkinski & Long is offering the potentially impacted individuals complimentary credit monitoring and identity protection services. Additionally, in response to this incident, Jenkinski & Long conducted an investigation, changed passwords, and reviewed its policies and procedures related to data protection.

Very truly yours,

CIPRIANI & WERNER, P.C.

By:



Michael J. Bonner, Esq.

EXHIBIT A

JENKOSKI & LONG
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
249 LIVINGSTON AVENUE
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY 08901

MICHAEL J. JENKOSKI, CPA
CHARLES W. LONG, CPA (1948-2016)

<<Date>> (Format: Month Day, Year)

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<<city>>, <<state_province>> <<postal_code>>
<<country>>

Dear <<first_name>> <<middle_name>> <<last_name>> <<suffix>>:

Jenkoski & Long, CPA writes to notify you of a recent incident that may impact the privacy of certain information provided to us. We take this incident very seriously and are providing you information about the incident, our response, and steps you can take to help protect your information.

We recently discovered unusual activity on our network and immediately began an investigation, which included working with third-party specialists to determine the nature and scope of the activity. The investigation determined there was unauthorized access to one of our network drives. Therefore, we conducted a review of the contents of the drive to determine the type of information contained therein. On July 11, 2023, we completed our initial review and conducted further analysis to confirm the identities of potentially affected individuals. On August 4, 2023, we confirmed the individuals and the types of data potentially impacted. The types of information included in the network drive included your name and [data elements].

In response to this incident, we changed account passwords and are reviewing our policies and procedures related to data protection. Additionally, we are providing you access to identity monitoring services at no cost to you. We encourage you to activate in these services. Instructions about how to activate and additional resources available to you are included in the enclosed *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information*.

We understand you may have questions about this incident. You may contact us at our dedicated assistance line (866) 731-3108, or write to us at 249 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. We sincerely regret any concern this incident may cause you. The privacy and security of information is important to us, and we will continue to take steps to protect information in our care.

Sincerely,



Michael Jenkoski
Jenkoski & Long, CPA

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

Activate Identity Monitoring

To help relieve concerns and restore confidence following this incident, we have secured the services of Kroll to provide identity monitoring at no cost to you for one year. Kroll is a global leader in risk mitigation and response, and their team has extensive experience helping people who have sustained an unintentional exposure of confidential data. Your identity monitoring services include Credit Monitoring, Fraud Consultation, and Identity Theft Restoration.

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: *<<Membership Number s_n>>*



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR IDENTITY MONITORING SERVICES

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

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.

Monitor Your Accounts

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports/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:

- Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., III, etc.);
- Social Security number;
- Date of birth;
- Address for the prior two to five years;
- Proof of current address, such as a current utility or telephone bill;
- A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (e.g., state driver's license or identification card); and
- 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 1-800-680-7289 www.transunion.com TransUnion Fraud Alert P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016-2000 TransUnion Credit Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094	Experian 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com Experian Fraud Alert P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 Experian Credit Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	Equifax 1-888-298-0045 www.equifax.com Equifax Fraud Alert P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069 Equifax Credit Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788
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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 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 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/>. Jenkoski & Long, CPA may be contacted at 249 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901.