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Via Email (idtheft@oag.state.md.us)

Office of the Attorney General
Attn: Security Breach Notification
200 St. Paul Place
[Baltimore, MD 21202](#)

RE: Notice of Data Breach

To Whom It May Concern:

We serve as counsel for Phillip V. Keenan P.C. dba Ambler Keenan Mitchell Johnson (“AKMJ”), located at 950 S. Cherry Street, Denver, CO 80246, and provide this notification of a recent data breach. By providing this notice, AKMJ does not waive any rights or defenses under Maryland law, including the data breach notification statute.

On October 9, 2024, AKMJ became aware of unauthorized activity on its network. Upon discovery, AKMJ began an investigation with the assistance of third-party specialists. The investigation determined an unauthorized party may have accessed certain files within the AKMJ network for a limited period of time on October 9, 2024. Therefore, AKMJ began a review of the potentially impacted files to determine the type of information contained therein and to whom the information related. AKMJ completed this review on December 17, 2024.

The review of the potentially impacted files determined three (3) Maryland residents were potentially impacted by this incident. The types of information includes individual’s name and driver’s license number. AKMJ began sending individual notification letters on January 24, 2025 via First Class mail, including to the residents of Maryland believed to be impacted.

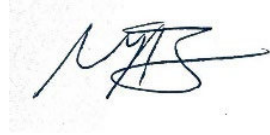
In response to this incident, AKMJ notified law enforcement, conducted a full forensic investigation, changed passwords, and notified impacted individuals. A template copy of the individual notification letter sent to individuals is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

CIPRIANI & WERNER, P.C.

By:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'MB', is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Michael Bonner, Esq.

Exhibit A

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Dear Valued Client,

Ambler Keenan Mitchell Johnson, LLC, contracts with an independent information technology company to assist with server and computer infrastructure and data security. That same IT company is also employed by our firm to set up data backup systems on our behalf.

Unfortunately, we were victims of a ransomware attack in October of 2024. As required by law, we immediately involved the Denver Police Department, Colorado Bureau of Investigation, and Federal Bureau of Investigation. As a result, we learned that there has been a large increase in such attacks across the country.

At that time, we hired a digital forensic and cybersecurity firm to help us. We have learned that client information was accessed without firm authorization during this isolated ransomware incident. Since the discovery of this event, we have worked diligently with the aforementioned parties to investigate the nature of the incident and its impact on our team, and you, our clients.

In an abundance of caution, in the interest of full transparency, and in compliance with our professional ethical duties to our valued clients, we are notifying you that information provided to our firm consistent with our representation of you may have been accessed, including names, driver's license number, contact information, demographic information (name, date of birth, employment information, asset information), and other case status information.

Please contact us if we can answer any questions about this breach and the steps we have taken to protect your personal information. We can be reached at (303) 407-1542 or by email at info@ambler-keenam.com.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you place a free fraud alert on your credit file. A fraud alert tells creditors to contact you before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. Contact any one of the three major credit bureaus. As soon as one credit bureau confirms your fraud alert, the others are notified to place fraud alerts. The initial fraud alert stays on your credit report for one year. You can renew it after one year.

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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	Experian 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com	Equifax 1-888-298-0045 www.equifax.com
TransUnion Fraud Alert P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016-2000	Experian Fraud Alert P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	Equifax Fraud Alert P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069
TransUnion Credit Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094	Experian Credit Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	Equifax Credit Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788

Ask each credit bureau to send you a free credit report after it places a fraud alert on your file. Review your credit reports for accounts and inquiries you don't recognize. These can be signs of identity theft. If your personal information has been misused, visit the FTC's site at IdentityTheft.gov to report the identity theft and get recovery steps. Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the FTC recommends that you check your credit reports periodically so you can spot problems and address them quickly.

You may also want to consider placing a free credit freeze. A credit freeze means potential creditors cannot get your credit report. That makes it less likely that an identity thief can open new accounts in your name. To place a freeze, contact each of the major credit bureaus at the links or phone numbers above. A freeze remains in place until you ask the credit bureau to temporarily lift it or remove it.

We take the protection and security of your information and files very seriously. We have continued to work with our IT company to keep our software up to date, to maintain a high level of security, and to protect our computer systems.

Thank you, as always, for your patronage and support. We value our client relationships and the trust you place in us.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth D. Mitchell

Partner

Erica Johnson

Partner

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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/>.

For New Mexico residents, you have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, such as the right to be told if information in your credit file has been used against you, the right to know what is in your credit file, the right to ask for your credit score, and the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. Further, pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act: (i) the consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; (ii) the consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; (iii) access to your file is limited; (iv) you must give consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; (v) you may limit “prescreened” offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report; (vi) and you may seek damages from violators. You may have additional rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act not summarized here. Identity theft victims and active-duty military personnel have specific additional rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504_cfpb_summary_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, FTC, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

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 North Carolina residents, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and www.ncdoj.gov.

For Washington, D.C. residents, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at 400 6th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001; 202-442-9828, and <https://oag.dc.gov/consumer-protection>