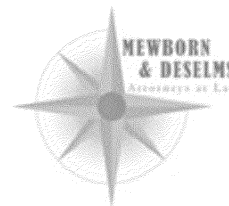
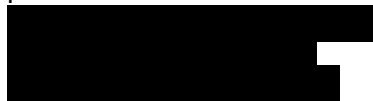


Mewborn & DeSelms  
c/o Cyberscout  
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February 7, 2025

Subject: Notice of Data Security Incident

Dear [REDACTED]:

Christopher L. Mewborn, Attorney, P.A. d/b/a Mewborn & DeSelms, Attorneys at Law (“Mewborn & DeSelms”) is writing to inform you of a recent data security incident that may have affected your personal information. Mewborn & DeSelms takes the privacy and security of all information within its possession very seriously. Please read this letter carefully as it contains information regarding the incident and steps that you can take to help protect your personal information.

**What Happened.** On April 2, 2024, Mewborn & DeSelms identified a network disruption and promptly initiated an investigation of the matter. Mewborn & DeSelms engaged cybersecurity specialists to assist with the process. As a result of the investigation, Mewborn & DeSelms determined that certain files may have been accessed and/or acquired without authorization on May 30, 2024. Mewborn & DeSelms undertook a comprehensive review of those files and, on or about January 31, 2025, learned that some of your personal information was contained within the potentially affected data which is the reason for this notification. Please note that Mewborn & DeSelms has no evidence of the misuse, or attempted misuse, of any potentially impacted information.

**What Information Was Involved.** The information may have included your first and last name as well as Social Security Number.

**What We Are Doing.** As soon as Mewborn & DeSelms learned of this incident, Mewborn & DeSelms took the steps described above and implemented measures to enhance security and minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. In response to the incident, we are providing you with access to Single Bureau Credit Monitoring/Single Bureau Credit Report/Single Bureau Credit Score services at no charge. These services provide you with alerts for twelve months from the date of enrollment when changes occur to your credit file. This notification is sent to you the same day that the change or update takes place with the bureau. Finally, we are providing you with proactive fraud assistance to help with any questions that you might have or in event that you become a victim of fraud. These services will be provided by Cyberscout, a TransUnion company specializing in fraud assistance and remediation services.

**What You Can Do.** To enroll in Credit Monitoring services at no charge, please log on to <https://bfs.cyberscout.com/activate> and follow the instructions provided. When prompted please provide the following unique code to receive services: [REDACTED]. In order for you to receive the monitoring services described above, you must enroll within 90 days from the date of this letter. The enrollment requires an internet connection and e-mail account and may not be available to minors under the age of 18 years of age. Please note that when signing up for monitoring services, you may be asked to verify personal information for your own protection to confirm your identity.

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**For More Information.** Further information about how to protect your personal information appears on the following page. If you have questions or need assistance, please call 1-833-799-4039 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time. We take your trust in us and this matter very seriously. Please accept our sincere apologies for any worry or inconvenience this may cause.

Sincerely,

*Mewborn & DeSelms, Attorneys at Law*

## Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information

**Review Your Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity:** As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You also should promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (the “FTC”).

- *Federal Trade Commission*, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20580, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), [www.consumer.ftc.gov](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov), [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft).

**Copy of Credit Report:** You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com), calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

**Equifax**  
P.O. Box 105851  
Atlanta, GA 30348  
1-800-525-6285  
[www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com)

**Experian**  
P.O. Box 9532  
Allen, TX 75013  
1-888-397-3742  
[www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com)

**TransUnion**  
P.O. Box 2000  
Chester, PA 19016  
1-800-916-8800  
[www.transunion.com/get-credit-report](http://www.transunion.com/get-credit-report)

**Fraud Alert:** You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com).

**Security Freeze:** You have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file for up to one year at no cost. This will prevent new credit from being opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential creditors from accessing your credit report without your consent. As a result, using a security freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit file with each credit reporting agency. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the consumer reporting agency with information that identifies you including your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, current and previous addresses, a copy of your state-issued identification card, and a recent utility bill, bank statement or insurance statement.

**Additional Free Resources:** You can obtain information from the consumer reporting agencies, the FTC, or from your respective state Attorney General about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft. You may report suspected identity theft to local law enforcement, including to the FTC or to the Attorney General in your state.

