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## Dear <</Name 1>>:

Riggs Wealth Management ("RWM") recognizes the importance of protecting the privacy and security of personal information. Regrettably, we are writing to inform you that we recently identified and addressed a security incident that may have involved some of that information. This notice describes the incident, outlines the measures we have taken in response, and advises you on steps that you can take to further protect your information.

On June 24, 2019, our ongoing investigation into a phishing email incident determined that an unauthorized person had obtained access to an email account belonging to an RWM employee. Upon first learning of the incident, we secured the employee's email account, launched an investigation to determine the nature and scope of the incident, and a computer security firm was engaged to assist. The investigation also determined that an unauthorized person accessed the account between June 14 and June 17, 2019. The investigation also determined that the unauthorized person may have accessed RWM's OneDrive site. Due to the nature of the unauthorized access, the investigation was unable to determine which specific emails, attachments, or files, if any, may have been viewed by the unauthorized individual. Because of this, and out of an abundance of caution, we are notifying all of our current and former clients who worked with this employee to let them know that their personal information may have been in the email account or OneDrive site, which may include your name, Social Security number, financial information, and other information you may have submitted to the employee.

Although we have no indication that your information has been accessed or misused in any way, out of an abundance of caution, we wanted to advise you of this incident and assure you that we take this very seriously. It is always advisable to remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports for any unauthorized activity. As an added precaution, we have arranged for you to enroll, at no cost to you, in an online, three-bureau credit monitoring service (*my*TrueIdentity) for one year provided by TransUnion Interactive, a subsidiary of TransUnion<sup>®</sup>, one of the three nationwide credit reporting companies. For more information on *my*TrueIdentity, including instructions on how to activate your complimentary one-year membership, as well as some additional steps you can take to protect yourself, please see the additional information provided in this letter.

We apologize for any concern or inconvenience this incident may cause. As a result of this incident, we are implementing additional procedures to further expand and strengthen our security processes, including password resets for all of our online accounts and implementation of multi-factor authentication. We are also providing continued education and training to our employees. If you have questions about this matter please call 877-568-3540, Monday through Friday between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Sincerely,

Gregory G. Riggs Riggs Wealth Management

## **Complimentary Credit Monitoring Service**

As a safeguard, we have arranged for you to enroll, at no cost to you, in an online three-bureau credit monitoring service (*my*TrueIdentity) for one year provided by TransUnion Interactive, a subsidiary of TransUnion<sup>®</sup>, one of the three nationwide credit reporting companies.

To enroll in this service, go to the *my*TrueIdentity website at <u>www.mytrueidentity.com</u> and in the space referenced as "Enter Activation Code", enter the following unique 12-letter Activation Code <<Activation Code>> and follow the three steps to receive your credit monitoring service online within minutes.

If you do not have access to the Internet and wish to enroll in a similar offline, paper based, three-bureau credit monitoring service, via U.S. Mail delivery, please call the TransUnion Fraud Response Services toll-free hotline at **1-855-288-5422**. When prompted, enter the following 6-digit telephone pass code **<<Engagement Number>>** and follow the steps to enroll in the offline credit monitoring service, add an initial fraud alert to your credit file, or to speak to a TransUnion representative if you believe you may be a victim of identity theft.

You can sign up for the online or offline credit monitoring service anytime between now and **<<Enrollment Deadline>>.** Due to privacy laws, we cannot register you directly. Please note that credit monitoring services might not be available for individuals who do not have a credit file with TransUnion<sup>®</sup>, Experian<sup>®</sup> and Equifax<sup>®</sup>, or an address in the United States (or its territories) and a valid Social Security number. Enrolling in this service will not affect your credit score.

Once you are enrolled, you will be able to obtain one year of unlimited access to your TransUnion credit report and credit score. The daily three-bureau credit monitoring service will notify you if there are any critical changes to your credit files at TransUnion, Experian and Equifax, including fraud alerts, new inquiries, new accounts, new public records, late payments, change of address and more. The service also includes access to an identity restoration program that provides assistance in the event your identity is compromised to help you restore your identity and up to \$1,000,000 in identity theft insurance with no deductible. (Policy limitations and exclusions may apply.)

## ADDITIONAL STEPS YOU CAN TAKE

Regardless of whether you choose to take advantage of this complimentary credit monitoring, we recommend that you remain 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 <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> 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, <u>www.equifax.com</u>, 1-800-685-1111 *Experian*, PO Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013, <u>www.experian.com</u>, 1-888-397-3742 *TransUnion*, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, <u>www.transunion.com</u>, 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), <u>www.ftc.gov/idtheft</u>

Residents of Maryland or North Carolina, 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

North Carolina Attorney General's Office, 9001 Mail Service Centre, Raleigh, NC 27699, 1-919-716-6400 / 1-877-566-7226, <u>www.ncdoj.gov</u>

If you are a resident of **West Virginia**, you have the right to ask that nationwide consumer reporting agencies place "fraud alerts" in your file to let potential creditors and others know that you may be a victim of identity theft, as described below. You also have a right to place a security freeze on your credit report, as described below.

**Fraud Alerts**: There are two types of 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 at least one year. You may have an extended alert placed on your credit report if you alert stays on your credit report for at least one year. You may have an extended alert placed on your credit report if you alert stays on your credit report for seven years. You can place a fraud alert on your credit report by contacting any of the three national credit reporting agencies.

**Credit Freezes:** You have the right to put a credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, on your credit file, free of charge, so that no new credit can be opened in your name without the use of a PIN that is issued to you when you initiate a freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential credit grantors from accessing your credit report without your consent. If you place a security freeze, potential creditors and other third parties will not be able to get access to your credit report unless you temporarily lift the freeze. Therefore, using a security freeze may delay your ability to obtain credit.

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

To request a security freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Your full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.)
- 2. Social Security number
- 3. Date of birth
- 4. If you have moved in the past five years, provide the addresses where you have lived over the prior five years
- 5. Proof of current address such as a current utility bill or telephone bill
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, military identification, etc.)
- 7. If you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft

The credit reporting agencies have one business day after receiving your request by toll-free telephone or secure electronic means, or three business days after receiving your request by mail, to place a security freeze on your credit report. The credit bureaus must also send written confirmation to you within five business days and provide you with a unique personal identification number ("PIN") or password or both that can be used by you to authorize the removal or lifting of the security freeze.

To lift the security freeze in order to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, or to lift a security freeze for a specified period of time, you must submit a request through a toll-free telephone number, a secure electronic means maintained by a credit reporting agency, or by sending a written request via regular, certified, or overnight mail to the credit reporting agencies and include proper identification (name, address, and Social Security number) and the PIN or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze as well as the identity of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report or the specific period of time you want the credit report available. The credit reporting agencies have one business day after receiving your request by toll-free telephone or secure electronic means, or three business days after receiving your request by mail, to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or for the specified period of time.

To remove the security freeze, you must submit a request through a toll-free telephone number, a secure electronic means maintained by a credit reporting agency, or by sending a written request via regular, certified, or overnight mail to each of the three credit bureaus and include proper identification (name, address, and Social Security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. The credit bureaus have one business day after receiving your request by toll-free telephone or secure electronic means, or three business days after receiving your request by mail, to remove the security freeze.

**Fair Credit Reporting Act:** You also have rights under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, which promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. The FTC has published a list of the primary rights created by the FCRA (<u>https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf</u>), and that article refers individuals seeking more information to visit <u>www.ftc.gov/credit</u>. The FTC's list of FCRA rights includes:

- You have the right to receive a copy of your credit report. The copy of your report must contain all the information in your file at the time of your request.
- Each of the nationwide credit reporting companies Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion is required to provide you with a free copy of your credit report, at your request, once every 12 months.
- You are also entitled to a free report if a company takes adverse action against you, like denying your application for credit, insurance, or employment, and you ask for your report within 60 days of receiving notice of the action. The notice will give you the name, address, and phone number of the credit reporting company. You are also entitled to one free report a year if you're unemployed and plan to look for a job within 60 days; if you are on welfare; or if your report is inaccurate because of fraud, including identity theft.
- You have the right to ask for a credit score.
- You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.
- Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information.
- Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information.
- Access to your file is limited. You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.
- You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you receive based on information in your credit report.
- You may seek damages from violators.
- Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.