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August 31, 2018

Dear << Name 1>>:

We are writing to inform you of a data security incident at Tousley Brain Stephens PLLC that may have resulted in the disclosure of your personal information, including your name and Social Security number. We take the security of your information seriously, and apologize for any inconvenience this incident may cause. This letter contains information about steps you can take to protect yourself, and resources we are making available to you.

One of our email accounts was compromised. We immediately took action and notified our Information Technology vendor, who prevented any further unauthorized access and verified the security of all other email accounts. We also retained a computer forensic company to conduct a detailed forensic investigation and determine what information may have been compromised. As a result of our investigation, it was discovered that your personal information, including your name and one or more of the following was contained within the email account; date of birth, Social Security number, driver's license or state issued identification card number, or financial account information.

While we have no evidence of misuse of your or anyone's information, out of an abundance of caution, we have arranged for you to enroll, at no cost to you, in an online, three-bureau credit monitoring service (*my*TrueIdentity) for five years provided by TransUnion Interactive, a subsidiary of TransUnion®, one of the three nationwide credit reporting companies. Please see the instructions at the end of this letter on how to enroll.

We take the security of all information in our control very seriously, and want to assure you that we are taking steps to prevent a similar event from occurring in the future. This includes performing office-wide password changes with complex password requirements and more frequent password changes; mandatory office-wide training for all staff to ensure consistent and vital security information is disseminated amongst the entire team; and an external vulnerability testing in which no vulnerabilities were found and indicating a higher security level than commonly found in peer networks. Additionally, we have enrolled with a security awareness training and simulated phishing platform to constantly test the awareness of our staff, as well as provide on-going mandatory email, network, and system security training.

The protection and security of your personal information is of our utmost priority, and we sincerely regret any concern or inconvenience that this matter may cause you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call 877-327-1202, Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pacific.

Sincerely,

TOUSLEY BRAIN STEPHENS PLLC

Janissa A. Strabuk, P.S. Managing Member



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Complimentary Five-Year myTrueIdentity 3B Credit Monitoring Service

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How to Enroll: You can sign up online

- To enroll in this service, go to the *my*TrueIdentity website at **www.MyTrueIdentity.com** and, in the space referenced as "Enter Activation Code," enter the 12-letter Activation Code <<**12-letter** 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 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 six-digit telephone passcode <<6-digit Telephone Pass Code>> 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 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.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING YOUR 60-MONTH COMPLIMENTARY CREDIT MONITORING SERVICE:

- Once you are enrolled, you will be able to obtain five years 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, changes of address, and more.
- The service also includes access to an identity restoration program that provides assistance in the event that your identity is compromised and up to \$1,000,000 in identity theft insurance with no deductible. (Policy limitations and exclusions may apply.)

Additional Important Information

For residents of *Hawaii*, *Michigan*, *Missouri*, *Virginia*, *Vermont*, and *North Carolina*: It is recommended by state law that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and monitoring your credit report for unauthorized activity.

For residents of Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Oregon, and West Virginia:

It is required by state laws to inform you that you may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, whether or not you suspect any unauthorized activity on your account. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the nationwide three credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit www.annualcreditreport.com, or call toll-free at 1-877-322-8228. You can also order your annual free credit report by mailing a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

For residents of *Iowa*:

State law advises you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

For residents of *Oregon*:

State laws advise you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement, including the Attorney General, and the Federal Trade Commission.

For residents of Maryland, Rhode Island, Illinois, and North Carolina:

You can obtain information from the Maryland and North Carolina Offices of the Attorneys General and the Federal Trade Commission about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft.

Maryland Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Protection Division 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 1-888-743-0023 www.oag.state.md.us Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Protection 150 South Main Street Providence RI 02903 1-401-274-4400 www.riag.ri.gov North Carolina Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Protection Division 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 1-877-566-7226 www.ncdoj.com **Federal Trade Commission**

Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) www.ftc.gov/idtheft

For residents of Massachusetts:

It is required by state law that you are informed of your right to obtain a police report if you are a victim of identity theft

For residents of all states:

Fraud Alerts: You can place fraud alerts with the three credit bureaus at one of the three major credit bureaus by phone and also via Experian's or Equifax's website. A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. The contact information for all three credit bureaus is below:

Monitoring: You should always remain vigilant and monitor your accounts for suspicious or unusual activity.

Security Freeze: You also have the right to place a security freeze on your credit report. A security freeze is intended to prevent credit, loans and services from being approved in your name without your consent. To place a security freeze on your credit report, you need to make a request to each consumer reporting agency. You may make that request by certified mail, overnight mail, or regular stamped mail, or by following the instructions found at the websites listed below. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security number; (3) date of birth; (4) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; and (5) any applicable incident report or complaint with a law enforcement agency or the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The request must also include a copy of a government-issued identification card and a copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue. The consumer reporting agency may charge a small fee to place, lift, or remove a freeze, but is free if you are a victim of identity theft or the spouse of a victim of identity theft, and you have submitted a valid police report relating to the identity theft incident to the consumer reporting agency. You may obtain a security freeze by contacting any one or more of the following national consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 www.freeze.equifax.com 800-525-6285 Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 www.experian.com/freeze 888-397-3742 TransUnion (FVAD) P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19022 <u>freeze.transunion.com</u> 800-680-7289

More information can also be obtained by contacting the Federal Trade Commission listed above.