



December 18, 2020

#### Re: Notice of Data Breach

#### Dear

American Bank Systems ("ABS") provides electronic loan and deposit administration software to its bank partners, including Bank of Forest, and writes to notify you of an incident that may affect the privacy of some of your personal information. ABS takes the protection of your information very seriously, and although we have no evidence of identity theft or fraud as a result of this incident, this letter provides details of the incident, our response, and resources available to you to help protect your personal information from possible misuse, should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

What Happened? On October 22, 2020, ABS became aware that it was victimized by a cybercriminal and certain systems were infected with malware, which resulted in disruptions to certain ABS operations. We immediately took systems offline and launched an investigation into the nature and scope of the incident. With the assistance of third-party computer forensic specialists, we are working to investigate the source of the disruption, confirm its impact on our systems, and restore full functionality to our systems as soon as possible. The investigation determined that certain documents stored within ABS's environment were subject to unauthorized access or acquisition. On November 16, 2020, our investigation determined that information related to Bank of Forest customers was part of the information affected. ABS provided notice of the incident to Bank of Forest on November 18, 2020 and worked to determine address information to provide notice of the incident. On December 11, 2020, we completed this review.

What Information Was Involved? Our investigation determined your name and the following types of data were present in the documents that were identified as accessed or taken by the unauthorized actor: name, date of birth, and Social Security number. At this time, we are unaware of any identity theft or fraud as a result of this incident.

What We Are Doing. Information privacy and security are among our highest priorities. Upon discovering this incident, we immediately took steps to assess the security of our systems and mitigate the impact of this incident, including by resetting ABS user passwords. We also reviewed existing security policies and implemented additional measures, including advanced endpoint monitoring, to further protect information in our care.

Although we are unaware of any identity theft or fraud as a result of this incident, we are offering you access to 12 months of credit monitoring and identity theft protection services through TransUnion at no cost to you as an added precaution. If you wish to activate these services, you may follow the instructions included in the attached *Steps You Can Take to Protect Your Information*. We encourage you to enroll in these services as we are unable to act on your behalf to do so.



**What You Can Do.** We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud, to review your account statements, and to monitor your credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors for the next 12 to 24 months. If you suspect fraud in your accounts, please report such activity to Bank of Forest. Please also review the information contained in the attached *Steps You Can Take to Protect Your Information*.

**For More Information.** We understand that you may have questions about this incident that are not addressed in this letter. If so, please contact our toll-free dedicated assistance line at 855-914-4705 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Central Time, Monday through Friday. You may also write to ABS at 14000 Parkway Commons Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73134.

Sincerely,

James Bruce

President/CEO & General Counsel

American Bank Systems

#### STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

### **Enroll in Credit Monitoring**

As a safeguard, we have arranged for you to enroll, <u>at no cost to you</u>, in an online credit monitoring service (*my*TrueIdentity) for 12 months provided by TransUnion Interactive, a subsidiary of TransUnion, one of the three nationwide credit reporting companies.

# How to Enroll: You can sign up online or via U.S. mail delivery

- 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 12-letter Activation Code **FDWSBRHFYRTL** 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 698573 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 March 31, 2021. 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 COMPLIMENTARY CREDIT MONITORING SERVICE:

- Once you are enrolled, you will be able to obtain 12 months of unlimited access to your TransUnion credit report and credit score.
- The daily credit monitoring service will notify you if there are any critical changes to your credit file at TransUnion, 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.)

## **Monitor Accounts**

Under U.S. law you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus. We recommend periodically obtaining credit reports from each nationwide credit reporting agency and have information relating to fraudulent transactions deleted. To order your free credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport. com or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also contact the three major credit bureaus listed below directly to request a free copy of your credit report.

You have the right to place a "security freeze" on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization. The security 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 security freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report 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 security freeze on your credit report. Should you wish to place a security freeze, please contact the major consumer reporting agencies listed below:

Experian P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742

www.experian.com/freeze/center.html

TransUnion
P.O. Box 160
Woodlyn, PA 19094
1-888-909-8872
www.transunion.com/credit-freeze

Equifax P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788 1-800-685-1111 www.equifax.com/personal/ credit-report-services



In order 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 (5) years, 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, a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft.

As an alternative to a security freeze, you have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on your file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, 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, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any one of the agencies listed below:

Experian TransUnion Equifax P.O. Box 9554 P.O. Box 105069 P.O. Box 2000 Allen, TX 75013 Atlanta, GA 30348 Chester, PA 19016 1-888-397-3742 1-800-680-7289 1-888-766-0008 www.experian.com/fraud/center.html www.transunion.com/fraud-victim-resource/ www.equifax.com/personal/ place-fraud-alert credit-report-services

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft prevention, fraud alerts, security freezes, and the steps you can take to protect yourself, by contacting the consumer reporting agencies, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General.

The Federal Trade Commission can be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580; <a href="https://www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. 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 and your state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

**For District of Columbia residents**, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia may be contacted at 441 4th Street NW, Suite 1100 South, Washington, D.C. 20001; (202) 727-3400; and https://oag.dc.gov.

**For Iowa Residents**, you can contact the Office of the Attorney general to obtain information about steps to take to avoid identity theft from the Iowa Attorney General's office at: Office of the Attorney General of Iowa, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 E. Walnut Street, Des Moines IA 50319, 515-281-5164.

**For Maryland residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202, 1-410-528-8662; 1-888-743-0023; or <a href="https://www.oag.state.md.us">www.oag.state.md.us</a>.

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, the 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 credit reports to be provided to employers; you may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report; 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 www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

**For New York residents**, the Attorney General may be contacted at: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; <a href="https://ag.ny.gov/">https://ag.ny.gov/</a>.

**For North Carolina residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; or <a href="www.ncdoj.gov">www.ncdoj.gov</a>. You can obtain information from the Attorney General or the Federal Trade Commission about preventing identity theft.

**For Rhode Island Residents**, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be reached at: 150 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903; <a href="https://www.riag.ri.gov">www.riag.ri.gov</a>; or 1-401-274-4400. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. There is approximately 1 Rhode Island resident whose information may have been impacted by this incident.