

[Date]

Dear [NAME]:

Woodruff Sawyer & Co. ("Woodruff Sawyer") is writing to inform you of a recent event that may impact the security of some of your personal information. Woodruff Sawyer received your information in connection with insurance consulting and brokerage services on behalf of your current or former employer, [Company Name]. While we are unaware of any actual or attempted misuse of your personal information, we are providing you with information about the incident, our response, and steps you may take to better protect against the possibility of identity theft and fraud, should you feel it is necessary to do so.

What Happened? Woodruff Sawyer recently discovered suspicious activity related to certain Woodruff Sawyer employee email accounts. We immediately took steps to secure the email accounts and launched an investigation which included working with a third-party forensic investigator to determine the nature and scope of the activity. The investigation determined that an email account belonging to a Woodruff Sawyer employee was subject to unauthorized access on separate occasions between March 2, 2020 and March 3, 2020. As a result, the unauthorized actor may have had access to certain emails and attachments within the account.

What Information Was Involved? The investigation was unable to identify all emails or attachments in the account that the unauthorized individual may have accessed or acquired. Therefore, in an abundance of caution, Woodruff Sawyer notified [Company Name] of this incident and conducted a review of the entire contents of the email account for emails or attachments that contain personal information. This review was completed on September 1, 2020 and we are notifying you of this incident because the investigation confirmed that the account may have contained your [VARIABLE TEXT FIELD]. To date, Woodruff Sawyer has not received any reports of actual or attempted misuse of your information.

What We Are Doing. The confidentiality, privacy, and security of information in our care is one of our highest priorities and we take this incident very seriously. When we discovered this incident, we immediately reset the email account password and took steps to determine what personal information was in the account and to which Woodruff Sawyer clients the information belonged. We also confirmed the security of our employee email accounts and related systems. As part of our ongoing commitment to the security of personal information in our care, we are working to review our existing policies and procedures, to implement additional safeguards, and to provide additional training to our employees on data privacy and security. We will also be notifying state and federal regulators, as required.

As an added precaution, we are offering you complimentary access to one year of credit and identity monitoring, fraud consultation and identity theft restoration services through Kroll. We encourage you to enroll in these services, as we are not able to act on your behalf to enroll you. Please review the instructions contained in the attached *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information* for additional information on these services.

What You Can Do. You may review the enclosed *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information*, which contains general information on what you can do to better protect against the possibility of identity theft and fraud, should you feel it is appropriate to do so. You may also enroll to receive the free credit and identity monitoring services we are offering.

For More Information. We understand that you may have questions about this incident that are not addressed in this letter. If you have additional questions, please call Woodruff Sawyer at our dedicated assistance line at [phone number] between the hours of [XXX and XXX]. You may also write to Woodruff Sawyer at [INSERT MAILING ADDRESS].

We sincerely regret any inconvenience or concern this incident has caused.

Sincerely, [NAME] [TITLE] Woodruff Sawyer & Co.

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

Enroll in Credit and Identity Monitoring

[VENDOR ENROLLMENT INFORMATION]

Monitor Accounts

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. Under U.S. law you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus. To order your free credit report, visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also contact the three major credit bureaus 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	TransUnion	Equifax
P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 160	P.O. Box 105788
Allen, TX 75013	Woodlyn, PA 19094	Atlanta, GA 30348-5788
1-888-397-3742	1-888-909-8872	1-800-685-1111
www.experian.com/freeze/center.html	www.transunion.com/credit-	www.equifax.com/personal/credit-
	freeze	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, 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 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 P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com/fraud/center.html

TransUnion P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016 1-800-680-7289 www.transunion.com/fraudvictim-resource/place-fraudalert Equifax P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348 1-888-766-0008 www.equifax.com/personal/creditreport-services

Additional Information

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, 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, <u>www.identitytheft.gov</u>, 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); 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 Maryland residents, the Attorney General can be contacted at 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202, 1-410-528-8662, <u>www.oag.state.md.us</u>.

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 a violator. 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 by visiting <u>www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504_cfpb_summary_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</u>, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

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, <u>www.ncdoj.gov</u>. You can obtain information from the Attorney General or the Federal Trade Commission about preventing identity theft.

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; <u>https://ag.ny.gov/</u>.

For Rhode Island residents, the Rhode Island Attorney General can be reached at: 150 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903; <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>, 1-401-274-4400. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. There are XX Rhode Island residents impacted by this incident.

For Washington, D.C. residents, the Office of Attorney General for the District of Columbia can be reached at: 441 4th Street NW, Suite 1100 South, Washington, D.C. 20001; 1-202-442-9828; <u>https://oag.dc.gov</u>.