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VIA ONLINE SUBMISSION

Attorney General Aaron Frey
Maine Attorney General's Office
Consumer Protection Division
6 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Re: Notice of Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General Frey:

Constangy, Brooks, Smith & Prophete LLP ("Constangy") represents McAndrews, Mehalick, Connolly, Hulse and Ryan P.C. ("McAndrews Law") in connection with a recent data security incident described in greater detail below.

1. Nature of the security incident.

On October 28, 2022, McAndrews Law noted unusual activity on its network. In response, McAndrews took immediate steps to secure its digital environment and engaged a leading cybersecurity firm to conduct an investigation to determine whether any sensitive information may have been accessed or acquired during the incident. Through the course of the investigation, McAndrews learned that certain systems may have been accessed or acquired without authorization. A comprehensive review of the types of personal information involved, the identification of potentially impacted individuals, and verification of current mailing addresses for those individuals were then conducted. On August 10, 2023, we determined that personal information belonging to certain Maine residents may have been impacted in connection with this incident.

McAndrews is notifying all potentially impacted individuals of this incident, providing them with steps they can take to protect their personal information, and offering them free credit and identity monitoring services.

Please note that we have no current evidence to suggest misuse or attempted misuse of any personal information in conjunction with this incident.

2. Number of Maine residents affected.

McAndrews notified a single (1) Maine resident of this incident via first class U.S. mail on August 21, 2023. The information potentially impacted in connection with this incident includes name, and Social Security number.

A sample copy of the notification letter is included with this correspondence.

3. Steps taken relating to the Incident.

As soon as McAndrews discovered this incident, McAndrews took steps to secure its network environment and launched an investigation to determine what happened and the scope of personal information potentially impacted. McAndrews implemented measures to enhance the security of its environment in an effort to minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. In addition, McAndrews also notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the incident and will provide any cooperation necessary to help hold the perpetrator(s) accountable

Further, McAndrews has established a toll-free call center through IDX, a leader in risk mitigation and response, to answer any questions about the incident and address related concerns. The call center is available at 1-888-939-4170 from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. CST on Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). In addition, while McAndrews is not aware of the misuse of any information as a result of this incident, out of an abundance of caution, McAndrews is also providing complimentary credit and identity protection services to notified individuals.

4. Contact information.

McAndrews remains dedicated to protecting the personal information in its control. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Constangy.

Best regards,

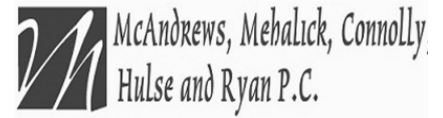
/s/ Julie Hess

Julie Hess

CONSTANGY, BROOKS, SMITH & PROPHETE LLP

Enclosure: Sample Notification Letter

McAndrews, Mehalick, Connolly,
Hulse and Ryan P.C.
4145 SW Watson Avenue, Suite 400
Beaverton, OR 97005



<<First Name>> << Last Name>>
<<Address1>>
<<Address2>>
<<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip Code>>

Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXXXX>>

To Enroll, Scan the QR Code Below:



Or Visit:

<https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect>

August 21, 2023

Subject: Notice of Data <<Variable Text 1>>

Dear <<First Name>> << Last Name>>:

McAndrews, Mehalick, Connolly, Hulse and Ryan P.C. (“McAndrews Law”) is writing to inform you about a data security incident that may have involved your personal information. McAndrews Law takes the privacy and security of your information very seriously. Therefore, we are writing to inform you about the incident and advise you of certain steps you can take to help protect your personal information, including activating the free credit and identity monitoring services we are offering to you.

What Happened? On October 28, 2022, McAndrews Law noted unusual activity within our computer network. Immediately, we launched an investigation and took steps to secure our network. We also engaged independent, cybersecurity experts to assist with the investigation and determine what happened and identify any information that may have been impacted during the incident. Through the course of our investigation, we learned that certain files may have been accessed or acquired without authorization, some of which may have contained the personal information of individuals. A comprehensive review of the types of personal information involved, the identification of potentially impacted individuals and verification of current mailing addresses for those individuals was then conducted. On August 10, 2023, we determined that your personal information may have been impacted. Therefore, we are notifying you about this incident and providing you with complimentary credit and identity monitoring services.

What Information Was Involved? The information that may have been involved in this incident includes your name, as well as your <<Variable Text 2>>.

What Are We Doing? As soon as McAndrews Law discovered the incident, we took the steps described above. In addition, we implemented measures to enhance the security of our network to help prevent a similar incident from occurring in the future. McAndrews Law also notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the incident and will cooperate with any resulting investigation.

While there is no evidence your information has been misused, out of an abundance of caution we are offering you complimentary credit monitoring and identity theft protection services through IDX – a data breach and recovery services

expert. These services include: <<12/24>> months of credit¹ and CyberScan monitoring, a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services. To enroll, please scan the QR code above, call 1-800-939-4170 or visit <https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect> and provide the enrollment code at the top of this page. Please note that the deadline to enroll is November 21, 2023.

What Can You Do? Please read the recommendations included with this letter to help protect your information. McAndrews Law also encourages you to enroll in the complimentary identity protection services being offered to you through IDX by using the activation code provided above.

For More Information: Further information about how to help protect your information appears on the following page. If you have questions or need assistance enrolling in the complimentary services being offered to you, please call IDX at 1-800-939-4170 Monday through Friday from 8 am – 8 pm Central Time, Monday through Friday (excluding major U.S. holidays). Please have your enrollment code ready.

Protecting your information is important to us. Please know that we take this incident very seriously and we deeply regret any worry or inconvenience this may cause.

Sincerely,

Katharine Ryan

Katharine Ryan
McAndrews, Mehalick, Connolly,
Hulse and Ryan P.C.

¹ To receive credit monitoring services, you must be over the age of 18 and have established credit in the U.S., have a Social Security number in your name, and have a U.S. residential address associated with your credit file.

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR 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 (FTC).

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 <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

Experian

P.O. Box 9532
Allen, TX 75013
1-888-397-3742
www.experian.com

TransUnion

P.O. Box 1000
Chester, PA 19016
1-800-916-8800
www.transunion.com

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 <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.

Federal Trade Commission

600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20580
consumer.ftc.gov, and
www.ftc.gov/idtheft
1-877-438-4338

California Attorney General

Attn: Public Inquiry Unit
P.O. Box 944255
Sacramento, CA 94244-2550
<https://oag.ca.gov/contact>
1-916-210-6276

New York Attorney General

Bureau of Internet and Technology
Resources
28 Liberty Street
New York, NY 10005
1-212-416-8433

North Carolina Attorney General

9001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699
ncdoj.gov
1-877-566-7226

Rhode Island Attorney General

150 South Main Street
Providence, RI 02903
<http://www.riag.ri.gov>
1-401-274-4400

Washington D.C. Attorney General

441 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001
oag.dc.gov
1-202-727-3400

You also have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA): These rights include to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; as well as other rights. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf>.