

## *Notice of Data Event*

Dudley DeBosier Injury Lawyers (“Dudley DeBosier”) is providing notice of a recent event that may impact information related to certain individuals. On August 16, 2024, Dudley DeBosier was alerted to suspicious activity in our systems. In response, we quickly took steps to secure our systems and launched an investigation to determine the nature and scope of the event. This investigation determined that between August 12, 2024 and August 16, 2024 an unknown actor gained access to certain systems, and information stored within those systems was accessed or taken.

Dudley DeBosier reviewed the data on the impacted systems to determine if personal information was impacted. This review determined that information provided for employment purposes was impacted for certain current and former Dudley DeBosier employees. The type of information that may have been impacted includes name, Social Security number, driver’s license number/state ID, Passport number, and financial account information.

Additionally, if you were a Dudley DeBosier client prior to 2018 information that you provided to the firm may have been impacted such as name, driver’s license number/state ID, and financial account information.

Although Dudley DeBosier has no indication that any identity theft or fraud related to individuals’ information has occurred as a result of this event; Dudley DeBosier is providing this notice as well as mailed notice to individuals with known address information whose information was present in the impacted systems at the time of the event.

As part of our ongoing commitment to the privacy of information within our care, we are working to implement additional security measures to further protect against similar events in the future. We will also be notifying state regulators, as required. Further, as part of our response, we notified federal law enforcement. Individuals who have questions about this event can contact the dedicated call center at 833-918-7291 between Monday - Friday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Central Time. Please be prepared to provide engagement number **B132648** when calling the call center.

### **Monitor Your Accounts**

We encourage individuals to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud and to review their account statements and credit reports to detect errors or suspicious activity. Individuals can find more information about obtaining a free copy of their credit report, protecting against potential identity theft and fraud, and other resources available to them below.

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order a free credit report, visit [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. Consumers may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of their credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended “fraud alert” on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a one-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 consumers are the victim of identity theft, they are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should consumers wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers have the right to place a “credit freeze” on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without the consumer’s express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in a consumer’s name without consent. However, consumers should be aware that using a credit freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in their credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application they make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, consumers cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on their credit report. To request a credit freeze, individuals may need to provide some or all of the following information:

1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
2. Social Security number;
3. Date of birth;
4. Addresses for the prior two to 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, etc.); and
7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft if they are a victim of identity theft.

Should consumers wish to place a credit freeze or fraud alert, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

<b>Equifax</b>	<b>Experian</b>	<b>TransUnion</b>
<a href="https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/">https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/</a>	<a href="https://www.experian.com/help/">https://www.experian.com/help/</a>	<a href="https://www.transunion.com/credit-help">https://www.transunion.com/credit-help</a>
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-800-916-8800
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	TransUnion Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	TransUnion Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 160, Woodlyn, PA 19094

**Additional Information**

Consumers may further educate themselves regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps they can take to protect their personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or their state attorney general. The Federal

Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; [www.identitytheft.gov](http://www.identitytheft.gov); 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. Consumers can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. Consumers have the right to file a police report if they ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, consumers will likely need to provide some proof that they have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and the relevant state attorney general. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.