

#### **Notice of Data Breach**

Lena Pope Home Inc. ("Lena Pope") is providing an update to its prior notice regarding a recent data security incident that may have resulted in unauthorized acquisition of your sensitive personal information. We are now providing you with additional details about this Incident, what we have done in response to the Incident, and resources available to help you protect against the potential misuse of your information.

# What Happened?

On September 30, 2023, Lena Pope detected unusual activity on one of their email accounts. Upon discovery of this incident, Lena Pope immediately secured the account and conducted an internal investigation into the matter.

Based on its preliminary investigation, Lena Pope determined private information might be included in emails and files potentially accessed without authority. In an abundance of caution, on October 2, 2023, Lena Pope posted notice of the Incident on its website and notified potentially impacted individuals by email to the extent emails were available. On or about October 5, 2023, Lena Pope also provided preliminary notice to the Texas Attorney General and Texas Department of Health and Human Services.

Lena Pope subsequently retained Wilson Elser to assist with this Incident and, at the advice of counsel, engaged a specialized third-party cybersecurity firm to conduct a comprehensive forensic investigation to determine the nature and scope of the incident. The forensic investigation concluded on February 1, 2024. The forensic investigation determined that one email account and certain files may have been compromised by an unauthorized actor. Based on these findings, Lena Pope reviewed the affected files and emails to identify the specific individuals and types of information that may have been compromised. On February 5, 2024, Lena Pope finalized the list of individuals to notify and identified their addresses to the extent available.

## **What Information Was Involved?**

Although Lena Pope has no evidence that any sensitive information has been misused by third parties as a result of this incident, we are notifying you out of an abundance of caution and for purposes of full transparency. Information varied by individual. Based on the investigation, the following information related to you may have been subject to unauthorized access: first name, last name, telephone number, email address, date of birth, health insurance policy number and certain limited personal health information. Social Security Numbers and financial information were not impacted.



# What We Are Doing?

Data privacy and security is among Lena Pope's highest priorities, and we are committed to doing everything we can to protect the privacy and security of the personal information in our care. Upon discovery of the Incident, Lena Pope moved quickly to investigate and respond to the incident, assess the security of its systems, and notified potentially affected individuals. Specifically, Lena Pope internally investigated the incident, engaged legal counsel for guidance, and also engaged a specialized third-party cybersecurity firm to confirm the security of our environment and conduct a comprehensive forensic investigation to determine the nature and scope of the incident. Lena Pope also implemented enhanced technical safeguards, implemented multifactor authentication and GEO IP blocking for Office 365, provided additional security training for staff members, and enhanced data security measures and will continue to enhance the security of our systems. Lastly, Lena Pope reviewed all impacted systems to identify the potentially affected individuals in preparation for notice. We take the protection and proper use of personal information very seriously.

# 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 or unauthorized activity. Additionally, security experts suggest that you contact your financial institution and all major credit bureaus to inform them of such a breach and then take whatever steps are recommended to protect your interests, including the possible placement of a fraud alert on your credit file. Please review the enclosed *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information*, to learn more about how to protect against the possibility of information misuse.

#### **For More Information**

If you have any questions or concerns not addressed in this letter, please call **1-833-979-4352** Monday through Friday, during the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (excluding U.S. national holidays).

Lena Pope sincerely apologizes and regrets any concern or inconvenience this matter may cause, and remains dedicated to ensuring the privacy and security of all information in our control.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ashley Elgin Chief Executive Officer

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## Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information

Credit Reports: 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 three nationwide credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit <a href="www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a>, 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 <a href="https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports">https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports</a>) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

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, 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 or a minor under the age of 16, 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. As of September 21, 2018, it is free to place, lift, or remove a security freeze. You may also place a security freeze for children under the age of 16. You may obtain a free 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 1-800-349-9960

https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit -report-services/credit-freeze/

# **Experian Security Freeze**

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

www.experian.com/freeze/center.htm

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# TransUnion Security Freeze

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

Fraud Alerts: You can place fraud alerts with the three credit bureaus by phone and online with:

- Equifax (https://assets.equifax.com/assets/personal/Fraud Alert Request Form.pdf);
- TransUnion (https://www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts); or
- Experian (https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html).

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. As of September 21, 2018, initial fraud alerts last for one year. Victims of identity theft can also get an extended fraud alert for seven years. The phone numbers for all three credit bureaus are at the bottom of this page.

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

**File Police Report:** You have the right to file or obtain a police report if you experience identity fraud. Please note that in order to file a crime report or incident report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide proof that you have been a victim. A police report is often required to dispute fraudulent items. You can generally report suspected incidents of identity theft to local law enforcement or to the Attorney General.



FTC and Attorneys General: 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, <a href="https://www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>, 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. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

**For Arizona residents**, the Attorney General may be contacted at the Consumer Protection & Advocacy Section, 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004, 1-602-542-5025.

**For Colorado residents**, the Attorney General may be contacted through Consumer Protection 1300 Broadway, 9th Floor, Denver, CO 80203 1-720-508-6000, www.coag.gov.

**For District of Columbia residents**, the Attorney General may be contacted at the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 441 4th Street NW, Washington, DC 20001, 1-202-727-3400, www.oag.dc.gov.

**For Illinois residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 100 West Randolph Street, Chicago, IL 60601; 1-866-999-5630; www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov.

For Iowa residents, you can report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

For Massachusetts residents, it is required by state law that you are informed of your right to obtain a police report filed in regard to this incident. If you are the victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it.

**For Maryland residents**, you may also may also wish to review information provided by the Maryland Attorney General on how to avoid identity theft at https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/Pages/IdentityTheft/default.aspx, or by sending an email to idtheft@oag.state.md.us, or calling 410-576-6491.

For New Mexico residents, state law advises you to review personal account statements and credit reports, as applicable, to detect errors resulting from the security breach. You also 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 at <a href="https://www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf">www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</a> 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**, you may contact and obtain information from these state agencies: *New York Department of State Division of Consumer Protection*, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231-0001, 518-



474-8583 / 1-800-697-1220, <a href="http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection">http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection</a>; and New York State Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341, 1-800-771-7755, https://ag.ny.gov

**For North Carolina residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6400, and <a href="www.ncdoj.gov">www.ncdoj.gov</a>. You may also obtain information about steps you can take to prevent identify theft from the North Carolina Attorney General at <a href="https://ncdoj.gov/protecting-consumers/protecting-your-identity/protect-yourself-from-id-theft/">https://ncdoj.gov/protecting-your-identity/protect-yourself-from-id-theft/</a>.

For Oregon residents, state law advises you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement, including the Attorney General, and the Federal Trade Commission.

**For Rhode Island residents**, this incident involves <<#> individuals in Rhode Island. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to file and obtain a copy of a police report. You also have the right to request a security freeze, as described above. You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: *Rhode Island Attorney General's Office*, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903, 1-401-274-4400, www.riag.ri.gov.

**For Vermont Residents:** If you do not have internet access but would like to learn more about how to place a security freeze on your credit report, contact the Vermont Attorney General's Office at 802-656-3183 (800-649-2424 toll free in Vermont only).