



Enrollment Code: << ENROLLMENT>>
Enrollment Deadline: December 16, 2025
To Enroll, Scan the QR Code Below:



Or Visit:

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

September 16, 2025

NOTICE OF << Variable Text 1>>

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

Pollard & Associates ("Pollard") administers retirement plans on behalf of employer groups. Pollard is writing to notify you of an incident that may affect some of your information. Although we have no evidence of any identity theft or fraud occurring as a result of this event, this letter provides details of the incident, our response, and resources available to you to help protect your information, should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

What Happened? On or around May 15, 2025, Pollard became aware of suspicious network activity. Pollard immediately launched an investigation, with the assistance of third-party computer forensic specialists, to confirm the full nature and scope of the activity. The investigation determined that certain files in Pollard's network were copied without authorization on or around April 8, 2025. Pollard thereafter undertook a thorough review of the potentially impacted files with the assistance of third-party data review specialists to determine what information was included in the files, to whom the information related, and to identify contact information for purposes of providing notifications. That review recently concluded.

What Information Was Involved? Our investigation determined the following types of information related to you was present in the involved files: your name and <<Variable Text 2>>. At this time, we have no indication that your information was subject to actual or attempted misuse as a result of this incident and are providing this notice out of an abundance of caution.

What We Are Doing. Data privacy and security are among Pollard's highest priorities, and there are extensive measures in place to protect the information in our care. Upon becoming aware of the incident, we promptly commenced an investigation with the assistance of third-party computer forensic specialists to confirm the nature and scope of this incident. This investigation and response included confirming the security of our network environment, reviewing the contents of relevant data for sensitive information, and notifying potentially impacted individuals. As part of our ongoing commitment to the privacy of information in our care, we are reviewing our policies, procedures and processes related to the storage and access of personal information to reduce the likelihood of a similar future event.

As an added precaution, we are also offering you <<Variable Text 3>> months of access to credit monitoring services through IDX at no cost to you. Please note, you must enroll by following the attached enrollment instructions as we are not able to enroll in these services on your behalf.

What You Can Do. We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your account statements and monitoring your free credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors. Please also

review the information contained in the attached *Steps You Can Take to Protect Personal Information*. There you will also find more information on the complimentary credit monitoring services we are making available to you.

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 contact us at 1-833-353-4456 Monday through Friday from 9 am - 9 pm Eastern (excluding major U.S. holidays).

Sincerely,

Pollard & Associates

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Enroll in Monitoring Services

- **1. Website and Enrollment.** Scan the QR image or go to https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter.
- **2. Activate the credit monitoring** provided as part of your IDX identity protection membership. The monitoring included in the membership must be activated to be effective. Note: You must have established credit and access to a computer and the internet to use this service. If you need assistance, IDX will be able to assist you.
- **3. Telephone.** Contact IDX at 1-833-353-4456 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

Monitor Your Accounts

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 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 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 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:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-	https://www.experian.com/help/	https://www.transunion.com/data-
<u>report-services/</u>		<u>breach-help</u>
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-833-799-5355
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box	TransUnion, P.O. Box 2000,
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	9554, Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O. Box	TransUnion, P.O. Box 160,
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	9554, Allen, TX 75013	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 your 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; 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.

For District of Columbia residents, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at: 400 6th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001; (202) 442-9828; and oag.dc.gov.

For Maryland residents, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at: 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-410-576-6300 or 1-888-743-0023; and https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/.

For New Mexico residents, consumers have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, such as the right to be told if information in their credit file has been used against them, the right to know what is in their credit file, the right to ask for their credit score, and the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. Further, pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the consumer reporting bureaus must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; access to consumers' files is limited; consumers must give consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; consumers may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance based on information in their credit report; and consumers may seek damages from violators. Consumers 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 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 New York Attorney General may be contacted at: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or https://ag.ny.gov.

For North Carolina residents, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at: 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and www.ncdoj.gov.

For Rhode Island residents, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be reached at: 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903; www.riag.ri.gov; and 1-401-274-4400. Under Rhode Island law, individuals have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this event. There are approximately 3 Rhode Island residents that may be impacted by this event.