# EXHIBIT 1

The investigation into this matter is ongoing, and this notice may be supplemented with any new significant facts learned subsequent to its submission. By providing this notice, GFG does not waive any rights or defenses regarding the applicability of Maine law, the applicability of the Maine data event notification statute, or personal jurisdiction.

#### **Nature of the Data Event**

On or about February 1, 2023, GFG became aware of unusual activity involving a single employee's email account. GFG took steps to immediately secure the account and began an investigation into the nature and scope of the activity. The investigation confirmed an email account was accessed by an unknown individual between January 30 and February 1, 2023. GFG reviewed the email account for personal information and began providing notice as information became available.

On June 6, 2023, the review identified additional personal information. GFG continued to review the data and its records to obtain addresses to further effectuate notices to potentially affected individuals. This review identified the following types of personal information as defined by Maine law: name and Social Security number.

### **Notice to Maine Residents**

As previously reported, GFG has been notifying individuals on an ongoing basis. Prior notifications included notice to two (2) Maine residents on August 11, 2023. On September 20, 2023, GFG will continue issuing notice relating to this event, including notice to two (2) additional Maine residents. Written notice is being provided in substantially the same form as the letter attached here as *Exhibit A*.

### Other Steps Taken and To Be Taken

Upon discovering the event, GFG moved quickly to investigate and respond to the incident, secure the email account, assess the security of GFG email system, and identify potentially impacted individuals. GFG is also reviewing and enhancing existing policies and procedures. GFG is also providing access to monitoring services for twelve (12) months, through Experian, to individuals whose personal information was potentially impacted by this incident, at no cost to these individuals.

Additionally, GFG is providing potentially impacted individuals with guidance on how to better protect against identity theft and fraud. GFG is providing individuals with information on how to place a fraud alert and security freeze on one's credit file, the contact details for the national consumer reporting agencies, information on how to obtain a free credit report, a reminder to remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing account statements and monitoring free credit reports, and encouragement to contact the Federal Trade Commission, their state Attorney General, and law enforcement to report attempted or actual identity theft and fraud.

GFG is providing written notice of this incident to relevant regulators, as necessary.

# **EXHIBIT A**



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[Extra1] September 20, 2023

Dear Sample A. Sample:

Georgetown Financial Group ("GFG") is writing to notify you of an email incident at GFG. This notice provides you with information about the event, our response, and resources available to you to help better protect your information, should you feel it appropriate to do so. GFG is a financial service provider that offers various financial services and products to clients and independent financial advisors and their clients. If you are receiving this letter, you are/were likely a client of GFG, client of independent financial advisors that we support, or a family member of a client, who provided your information.

What Happened? On or about February 1, 2023, GFG became aware of unusual activity involving a single employee's email account. We took steps to immediately secure the account and began an investigation into the activity. The investigation confirmed an email account was accessed by an unknown individual between January 30 and February 1, 2023. We reviewed the account for sensitive information and have been providing notices as information becomes available.

What Information Was Involved? The ongoing review determined the following types of personal information relating to you were present in the email account: name, [Extra2].

What We Are Doing. We take this incident and the security of personal information in our care seriously. Upon discovering the unusual activity, we took steps to secure the employee email account and investigate the activity. As part of our ongoing commitment to the privacy of information in our care, we reviewed and enhanced existing policies and procedures.

What You Can Do. We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your account statements and explanation of benefits and monitoring your free credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors over the next 12 to 24 months. You may also review the information contained in the attached *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Personal Information*. Further, you may enroll in the offered complimentary credit monitoring and identity protection services. Although we are making these services available to you, we are unable to enroll you directly.

**For More Information.** If you have questions, you may contact us at 855-223-4826 toll-free Monday through Friday from 9 am - 11 pm Eastern, or Saturday and Sunday from 11 am - 8 pm Eastern (excluding major U.S. holidays). Please be prepared to provide engagement number [Engagement Number]. You may also write to Georgetown Financial Group at 73 Redding Rd, P.O. Box 11, Georgetown, CT 06829.

Sincerely,

Georgetown Financial Group

#### STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

### **Enroll in Monitoring Services**

To help protect your identity, we are offering complimentary access to Experian IdentityWorks<sup>SM</sup> for [Extra3] months.

Please note that Identity Restoration is available to you for [Extra3] months from the date of this letter and does not require any action on your part at this time. The Terms and Conditions for this offer are located at www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration.

While identity restoration assistance is immediately available to you, we also encourage you to activate the fraud detection tools available through Experian IdentityWorks as a complimentary [Extra3]-month membership. This product provides you with superior identity detection and resolution of identity theft. To start monitoring your personal information, please follow the steps below:

- Ensure that you enroll by November 30, 2023 (Your code will not work after this date.)
- Visit the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: https://www.experianidworks.com/credit
- Provide your activation code: ABCDEFGHI

If you believe there was fraudulent use of your information and would like to discuss how you may be able to resolve those issues, please reach out to an Experian agent. If, after discussing your situation with an agent, it is determined that identity restoration support is needed then an Experian Identity Restoration agent is available to work with you to investigate and resolve each incident of fraud that occurred from the date of the incident (including, as appropriate, helping you with contacting credit grantors to dispute charges and close accounts; assisting you in placing a freeze on your credit file with the three major credit bureaus; and assisting you with contacting government agencies to help restore your identity to its proper condition).

If you have questions about the product, need assistance with Identity Restoration, or would like an alternative to enrolling in Experian IdentityWorks online, please contact Experian's customer care team at 855-223-4826 by November 30, 2023. Please be prepared to provide engagement number [Engagement Number] as proof of eligibility for the Identity Restoration services by Experian.

### ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING YOUR [Extra3]-MONTH EXPERIAN IDENTITYWORKS MEMBERSHIP

A credit card is not required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks. You can contact Experian immediately regarding any fraud issues, and have access to the following features once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks:

- **Experian credit report at signup:** See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.<sup>1</sup>
- **Credit Monitoring:** Actively monitors Experian file for indicators of fraud.
- Identity Restoration: Identity Restoration specialists are immediately available to help you address credit and noncredit related fraud.
- Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE<sup>TM</sup>: You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- \$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance<sup>2</sup>: Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

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, tollfree, 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.

policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Identity Theft Insurance is underwritten and administered by American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, an Assurant company. Please refer to the actual

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/credit-
report-services/		help
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-800-916-8800
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box	TransUnion Fraud Alert, P.O. Box
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	9554, Allen, TX 75013	2000, Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O.	TransUnion Credit Freeze, P.O.
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	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 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; <a href="www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>; 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; 202-727-3400; 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 1-888-576-6300; 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. We encourage consumers to review their 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 19 Rhode Island residents that may be impacted by this event.