

# **Bouvier Insurance Notifies of Data Security Incident**

August 21, 2025, West Hartford, Connecticut—The privacy and security of the personal information we maintain is of the utmost importance to Bouvier Beckwith & Lennox dba Bouvier Insurance ("Bouvier Insurance"). We recently discovered one of our user email accounts was accessed by an unknown actor. Upon learning of this issue, we commenced a prompt and thorough investigation into the incident and worked very closely with external cybersecurity professionals experienced in handling these types of situations to help determine whether any personal or sensitive data had been accessed or acquired as a result of this incident.

After an extensive forensic investigation and manual document review, we discovered on July 24, 2025 that between January 22, 2025 and February 13, 2025, personal information may have been accessed or acquired by an unauthorized party. The information potentially involved may have included individual's first and last name, address, Social Security Number, state identification number/driver's license number, health information, and bank account number and routing information. Not all of this information was impacted for each individual.

Out of an abundance of caution, in accordance with state and federal law, commencing on August 21, 2025, Bouvier Insurance notified individuals whose information may have been included in the files accessed by the unauthorized party. Notified individuals have been provided with best practices to protect their information.

Bouvier Insurance is committed to maintaining the privacy and security of the personal information in our possession and we have taken many precautions to safeguard it. We continually evaluate and modify our practices and internal controls to enhance the security and privacy of your personal information and will continue to do so following this incident.

If you have questions, please call our dedicated and confidential toll-free response line that we have set up to respond to questions at 1-800-939-4170. The response line is available Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m -9:00 p.m. Eastern time, excluding holidays.

# - OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION -

#### 1. Placing a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File.

We recommend that you place an initial one-year "Fraud Alert" on your credit files, at no charge. A fraud alert tells creditors to contact you personally before they open any new accounts. To place a fraud alert, call any one of the three major credit bureaus at the numbers listed below. As soon as one credit bureau confirms your fraud alert, they will notify the others.

Equifax P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069 https://www.equifax.com/person al/credit-report-services/creditfraud-alerts/ (800) 525-6285

Experian P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 https://www.experian.com/frau d/center.html (888) 397-3742

**TransUnion** Fraud Victim Assistance Department P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016-2000 https://www.transunion.com/fraudalerts (800) 680-7289

## 2. Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit File.

If you are very concerned about becoming a victim of fraud or identity theft, you may request a "Security Freeze" be placed on your credit file, at no charge. A security freeze prohibits, with certain specific exceptions, the consumer reporting agencies from releasing your credit report or any information from it without your express authorization. You may place a security freeze on your credit report by contacting all three nationwide credit reporting companies at the numbers/websites below and following the stated directions or by sending a request in writing, by mail, to all three credit reporting companies:

Equifax Security Freeze Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788 https://www.equifax.com/personal/c redit-report-services/credit-freeze/ (888) 298-0045

P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 http://experian.com/freeze (888) 397-3742

TransUnion Security Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 https://www.transunion.com/credit -freeze (888) 909-8872

In order to place the security freeze, you'll need to supply your name, address, date of birth, Social Security number and other personal information. After receiving your freeze request, each credit reporting company will send you a confirmation letter containing a unique PIN (personal identification number) or password. Keep the PIN or password in a safe place. You will need it if you choose to lift the freeze.

If your personal information has been used to file a false tax return, to open an account or to attempt to open an account in your name or to commit fraud or other crimes against you, you may file a police report in the City in which you currently reside.

#### 3. Obtaining a Free Credit Report.

Under federal law, you are entitled to one (1) free credit report every twelve (12) months from each of the above three (3) major nationwide credit reporting companies. Call 1-877-322-8228 or request your free credit reports online at www.annualcreditreport.com. Once you receive your credit reports, review them for discrepancies. Identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. Verify all information is correct. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting company.

## 5. Additional Helpful Resources.

Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you check your credit reports periodically. Checking your credit report periodically can help you spot problems and address them quickly.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit reports or have reason to believe your information is being misused, call your local law enforcement agency and file a police report. Be sure to obtain a copy of the police report, as many creditors will want the information it contains to absolve you of the fraudulent debts. You may also file a complaint with the FTC by contacting them on the web at www.ftc.gov/idtheft, by phone at 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338), or by mail at Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. Your complaint will be added to the FTC's Identity Theft Data Clearinghouse, where it will be accessible to law enforcement for their investigations. In addition, you may obtain information from the FTC about fraud alerts and security freezes.

**Iowa Residents**: You may contact law enforcement or the Iowa Attorney General's Office to report suspected incidents of identity Theft: Office of the Attorney General of Iowa, Consumer Protection Division, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50319, www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov, Telephone: 515-281-5164.

**Maryland Residents**: You may obtain information about avoiding identity theft from the Maryland Attorney General's Office: Office of the Attorney General of Maryland, Consumer Protection Division, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202, www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov, Telephone: 888-743-0023.

**Massachusetts Residents**: Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain a police report 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.

New Mexico residents: You 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. In addition, you have the right to obtain a security freeze (as explained above) or submit a declaration of removal. You have a right to bring a civil action against a consumer reporting agency that violates your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting and Identity Security Act. For more information about the FCRA, please visit www.consumer.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/articles/pdf/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf or www.ftc.gov.

**New York Residents:** You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the New York Attorney General's Office: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds-bureau/identity-theft; Telephone: 800-771-7755.

**North Carolina Residents**: You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the North Carolina Attorney General's Office: Office of the Attorney General of North Carolina, Consumer Protection Division, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, www.ncdoj.gov, Telephone: 877-566-7226 (Toll-free within North Carolina), 919-716-6000.

**Oregon Residents**: You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the Oregon Attorney General's Office: Oregon Department of Justice, 1162 Court Street NE, Salem, OR 97301-4096, www.doj.state.or.us, Telephone: 877-877-9392.

Rhode Island Residents: You have the right to obtain a police report if one was filed, or alternatively, you can file a police report. Further, you can obtain information from the Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General about steps you can take to help prevent identity theft. 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903, (401) 274-4400, www.riag.ri.gov. If you are a victim of identity theft, a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft. There were 2 of Rhode Island residents impacted.

**Washington D.C. Residents**: You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 400 6th Street NW, Washington D.C. 20001, oag.dc.gov/consumer-protection, Telephone: 202-442-9828.