

May 11, 2026

VIA ONLINE SUBMISSION

Attorney General Mike Hilgers
Office of the Attorney General
Consumer Affairs Response Team
2115 State Capital
Lincoln, NE 68509
Tel: 402-471-2683

Re: Notice of Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General Hilgers:

Constangy, Brooks, Smith, & Prophete, LLP represents Williams Associates Architects Ltd. (“Williams Architects” or “Williams”) in connection with a recent data security incident described in greater detail below. The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the incident in accordance with Nebraska’s data breach notification statute Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 87-801 - 808. By providing this notice, Williams does not waive any rights or defenses regarding the applicability of Nebraska law, the applicability of the Nebraska data event notification statute, or personal jurisdiction.

1. Nature of the Security Incident

On March 3, 2026, Williams experienced a network disruption and immediately initiated an investigation of the matter. Cybersecurity experts were engaged to assist with the process, and as a result, it was determined that certain files may have been accessed or acquired without authorization. Williams then undertook a comprehensive review of those files, and on or about April 13, 2026, confirmed the scope of any impacted personal information and identified the impacted individuals. Williams then took steps to promptly notify such individuals of the incident. The potentially impacted information may have included individuals’ full name and Social Security Number.

2. Number of Nebraska Residents Affected

On May 11, 2026, Williams notified 1 Nebraska resident within the potentially affected population via First Class U.S. mail. A sample copy of the notification letter sent to the impacted individuals is included with this correspondence.

3. Steps Taken Relating to the Incident



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As soon as Williams learned of the unusual network activity, it took steps to secure its systems and launched an investigation to learn more about what happened and what information could have been affected. Williams implemented additional safeguards to help ensure the security of its systems and to reduce the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future.

Williams has established a toll-free hotline to answer any questions about the incident and address related concerns. In addition, while Williams is not aware of the misuse of any information as a result of this incident, out of an abundance of caution, Williams is also providing complimentary identity protection services, including 12 months of complimentary credit monitoring, to notified individuals.

Additionally, Williams is providing individuals with guidance on how to better protect against identity theft and fraud. Williams is also providing individuals with information on how to place a fraud alert and security freeze on their 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.

4. Contact Information

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at msachs@constangy.com or (267) 219-8332.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melissa J. Sachs".

Melissa J. Sachs
Partner, Constangy Cyber Team

Encl.: Sample Notification Letter



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To Enroll, Please Visit:

<https://bfs.cyberscout.com/activate>

Enrollment Code: **4E046823E8FF**

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Subject: Notice of Data Security Incident

Dear Kevin Hoffman,

I am writing to inform you of a recent data security incident that may have affected your personal information. Williams Associates Architects Ltd. ("Williams Architects") takes the privacy and security of all information within its possession very seriously. Please read this letter carefully as it contains information regarding the incident and steps that you can take to help protect your personal information.

What Happened. On March 3, 2026, we experienced a network disruption and immediately initiated an investigation of the matter. We engaged cybersecurity experts to assist with the process. As a result of the investigation, we determined that certain files may have been accessed or acquired without authorization and then undertook a comprehensive review of those files. On or about April 13, 2026, we learned that some of your personal information was contained within the potentially affected data which is the reason for this notification. Please note that we have no evidence of the misuse, or attempted misuse, of any potentially impacted information.

What Information Was Involved. The information may have included your name and Social Security Number and driver's license number or state ID.

What We Are Doing. As soon as we discovered this incident, we took the steps described above and implemented measures to enhance security and minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. We are also offering you complimentary identity protection services through TransUnion. These services include 12 months of credit monitoring¹, dark web monitoring, a \$1 million identity fraud loss reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services. The deadline to enroll in these services is 90 days from the date of this letter.

What You Can Do. You can follow the recommendations on the following page to help protect your personal information. You can also enroll in the complementary services offered to you through TransUnion by using the enrollment code provided above.

For More Information. Further information about how to protect your personal information appears on the following page. If you have questions or need assistance, please call 1-800-405-6108 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Eastern time, excluding U.S. holidays. We take your trust in us and this matter very seriously. Please accept our sincere apologies for any worry or inconvenience this may cause.

Sincerely,

Williams Architects

¹To receive credit monitoring services, you must be over the age of 18 and have established credit in the U.S., have a Social Security number in your name, and have a U.S. residential address associated with your credit file.

Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information

Review Your Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity: As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You also should promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC").

Copy of Credit Report: You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting www.annualcreditreport.com/, calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

Equifax

P.O. Box 105851
Atlanta, GA 30348
1-800-525-6285
www.equifax.com

Experian

P.O. Box 9532
Allen, TX 75013
1-888-397-3742
www.experian.com

TransUnion

P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19016
1-833-799-5355
www.transunion.com/get-credit-report

Fraud Alert: You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at www.annualcreditreport.com. For TransUnion: www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts.

Security Freeze: You have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file for up to one year at no cost. This will prevent new credit from being opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential creditors from accessing your credit report without your consent. As a result, using a security freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit file with each credit reporting agency. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the consumer reporting agency with information that identifies you including your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, current and previous addresses, a copy of your state-issued identification card, and a recent utility bill, bank statement or insurance statement. For TransUnion: www.transunion.com/credit-freeze.

Additional Free Resources: You can obtain information from the consumer reporting agencies, the FTC, or from your respective state Attorney General about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft. You may report suspected identity theft to local law enforcement, including to the FTC or to the Attorney General in your state.

Federal Trade Commission

600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
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consumer.ftc.gov
877-438-4338

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877-877-9392

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800-952-5225

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Providence, RI 02903
www.riag.ri.gov
401-274-4400

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Des Moines, Iowa 50319
www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov
888-777-4590

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Raleigh, NC 27699
ncdoj.gov/protectingconsumers/
877-566-7226

You also have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA): These rights include to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; as well as other rights. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit www.consumer.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/articles/pdf/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf.