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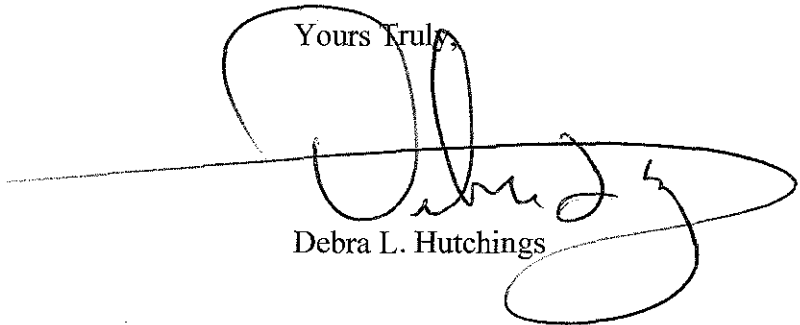
Office of the Attorney General
6 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Attorney General:

Pursuant to Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 10 § 1347 et seq., I writing to inform you, upon investigation, it appears that due to an update to my client, Erikson's Institute's, website the SSL Certificate became nonfunctional and the online admissions applicant information was not encrypted. This includes one (1) Maine resident's name and social security number. This situation was immediately corrected upon discovery.

Please find enclosed a copy of the notice and Reference Tool which my client plans to send to the affected Massachusetts' resident the week of April 12, 2010. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Truly,



Debra L. Hutchings

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Ms. [First Name, Last Name]
[Address]

Dear Ms. [Last Name],

We recently discovered that, due to an update to our website, information submitted to us through our online admission application process was not encrypted. This includes your name and social security number. We are very sorry this situation has occurred and wanted to let you know as soon as possible.

We have taken immediate and appropriate steps to re-secure the online application process. We hasten to add that we have no evidence to suggest that your information has been acquired or accessed by any third party.

Erikson Institute understands the concern that this incident may cause you, and we are committed to helping you address those concerns. Please see the enclosed Reference Tool for steps you may take for your additional security.

Because your trust is very important to us, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. You can reach me by email at jlockridge@erikson.edu or by phone toll-free at 1-877-999-0817. Once again, we deeply regret any inconvenience this situation may have caused you.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Lockridge
Vice President for Administration and Enrollment

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REFERENCE TOOL

To protect the security of your information, it is important that you are vigilant by monitoring accounts and checking credit report. Additionally, you can protect yourself by:

Order a Free Credit Report. The law allows you to order one free credit report from each of the national credit bureaus once every 12 months. To order your free credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com, call 1-877-322-8228, or complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form and mail it to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. The Annual Credit Report Request Form can be printed from www.ftc.gov/credit. Do not contact the three nationwide national credit bureaus directly as they only provide the free annual credit reports as set out in this paragraph. You may order a credit report from each of the three national credit bureaus at the same time or you can chose to order a report from each of the bureaus one at a time.

Place a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File. Consider placing a fraud alert on your credit file. The alert can help stop an unauthorized person from opening credit accounts in your name. You can place a fraud alert on your credit files with all three national credit bureaus by calling any one of the numbers below. If you are a victim of identity theft, and provide a valid police report to a national credit bureau, it cannot charge you to place, lift or remove a fraud alert. In all other cases, a national credit bureau may charge up to \$5 each to place, lift or remove a fraud alert. Victims of identity theft must send a written request to each of the credit bureaus listed below by regular, certified or overnight mail and include their name, address, date of birth, social security number, and credit card number and expiration date for payment, if applicable. Each of the national credit bureaus below has specific requirements to place a fraud alert. Review these requirements on the websites for each prior to sending your written request.

The addresses of the major consumer reporting agencies are:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
1-800-525-6285	1-888-397-3742	1-800-680-7289
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com	www.transunion.com
P.O. Box 740241	P.O. Box 2002	P.O. Box 6790
Atlanta, GA 30374	Allen, TX 75013	Fullerton, CA 92834

Law Enforcement. If you are the victim of identity theft, it is important that you report the crime to all sheriff and police departments in your jurisdiction. Provide law enforcement with as much documented evidence as possible. Obtain a copy of the law enforcement report as banks and credit card companies may require that you produce the report to verify the crime. Additionally, obtain the telephone number of the law enforcement agency to provide to any creditors and others who require certification of the crime.