



**WIRE FRAUD NOTIFICATION DISCLOSURE  
TO ALERT CLIENTS REGARDING POTENTIAL RISKS RELATED  
TO THE FUNDING OF TRANSACTIONS**

Criminals/hackers are targeting email accounts of various parties involved in a real estate transaction (e.g., title agents, mortgage brokers, real estate agents). Among other concerns, this can lead to fraudulent wire instructions being used to divert funds to the criminals' bank accounts. These emails may look like legitimate emails from the proper party.

\_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter "Brokerage") strongly recommends that you and others working on your real estate transaction should refrain from placing any sensitive personal and financial information in an email directly or through an email attachment. When you need to share Social Security numbers, bank accounts, credit card numbers, wiring instructions or similar sensitive information, Brokerage recommends using more secure means, such as providing the information in person, over the phone, or through secure mail or package services whenever possible.

Never trust wiring instructions sent via email. Cyber criminals are hacking email accounts and sending emails with fake wiring instructions. These emails are convincing and sophisticated. Always independently confirm wiring instructions in person or via a telephone call to a trusted and verified phone number. Never wire money without double-checking that the wiring instructions are correct. You should call them at a number that you obtain on your own (e.g. the Residential Purchase Agreement, their website, etc.) and NOT use the phone number or any contact information in the email in order to be sure that you are contacting a legitimate party.

Client shall defend, indemnify and hold Brokerage, its officers, agents, employees and brokers harmless from any and all claims, injuries, damages, losses or suits including attorney fees, arising out of or resulting from the wiring instructions or similar sensitive information.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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Signature

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Signature

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Client Name

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Client Name