

A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act

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The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Here is a summary of your major rights under the FCRA. **For more information, including information about additional rights, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20006.**

- **You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.** Anyone who uses a credit report or another type of consumer report to deny your application for credit, insurance, or employment - or to take another adverse action against you - must tell you, and must give you the name, address, and phone number of the agency that provided the information.
- **You have the right to know what is in your file.** You may request and obtain all the information about you in the files of a consumer reporting agency (your "file disclosure"). You will be required to provide proper identification, which may include your Social Security number. In many cases, the disclosure will be free. You are entitled to a free file disclosure if:
 - a person has taken adverse action against you because of information in your credit report;
 - you are the victim of identity theft and place a fraud alert in your file;
 - your file contains inaccurate information as a result of fraud;
 - you are on public assistance;
 - you are unemployed but expect to apply for employment within 60 days.

In addition, all consumers will be entitled to one free disclosure every 12 months upon request from each nationwide credit bureau and from nationwide specialty consumer reporting agencies. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for additional information.

- **You have the right to ask for a credit score.** Credit scores are numerical summaries of your credit-worthiness based on information from credit bureaus. You may request a credit score from consumer reporting agencies that create scores or distribute scores used in residential real property loans, but you will have to pay for it. In some mortgage transactions, you will receive credit score information for free from the mortgage lender.
- **You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.** If you identify information in your file that is incomplete or inaccurate, and report it to the consumer reporting agency, the agency must investigate unless your dispute is frivolous. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for an explanation of dispute procedures.
- **Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information.** Inaccurate, incomplete or unverifiable information must be removed or corrected, usually within 30 days. However, a consumer reporting agency may continue to report information it has verified as accurate.
- **Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information.** In most cases, a consumer reporting agency may not report negative information that is more than seven years old, or bankruptcies that are more than 10 years old.
- **Access to your file is limited.** A consumer reporting agency may provide information about you only to people with a valid need -- usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord, or other business. The FCRA specifies those with a valid need for access.
- **You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.** A consumer reporting agency may not give out information about you to your employer, or a potential employer, without your written consent given to the employer. Written consent generally is not required in the trucking industry. For more information, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.
- **You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.** Unsolicited "prescreened" offers for credit and insurance must include a toll-free phone number you can call if you choose to remove your name and address from the lists these offers are based on. You may opt-out with the nationwide credit bureaus at 1-888-567-8688.
- **You may seek damages from violators.** If a consumer reporting agency, or, in some cases, a user of consumer reports or a furnisher of information to a consumer reporting agency violates the FCRA, you may be able to sue in state or federal court.
- **Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.** For more information, visit www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.

States may enforce the FCRA, and many states have their own consumer reporting laws. In some cases, you may have more rights under state law. For more information, contact your state or local consumer protection agency or your state Attorney General. For information about your federal rights, contact:

TYPE OF BUSINESS:	CONTACT:
1.a. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates	a. Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection 1700 G Street NW Washington, DC 20006
b. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the Bureau:	b. Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA Washington, DC 20580 (877) 382-4357
2. To the extent not included in item 1 above:	
a. National banks, federal savings associations, and federal branches and federal agencies of foreign banks	a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency Customer Assistance Group 1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450 Houston, TX 77010-9050
b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than federal branches, federal agencies, and insured state branches of foreign banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act	b. Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center P.O. Box 1200 Minneapolis, MN 55480
c. Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and insured state savings associations	c. FDIC Consumer Response Center 1100 Walnut Street, Box #11 Kansas City, MO 64106
d. Federal Credit Unions	d. National Credit Union Administration Office of Consumer Protection (OCP) Division of Consumer Compliance and Outreach (DCCO) 1775 Duke Street Alexandria, VA 22314
3. Air carriers	Asst. General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement & Proceedings Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590
4. Creditors Subject to Surface Transportation Board	Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board Department of Transportation 395 E Street SW Washington, DC 20423
5. Creditors Subject to Packers and Stockyards Act	Nearest Packers and Stockyards Administration area supervisor
6. Small Business Investment Companies	Associate Deputy Administrator for Capital Access United States Small Business Administration 409 Third Street, SW, 8th Floor Washington, DC 20416
7. Brokers and Dealers	Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F St NE Washington, DC 20549
8. Federal Land Banks, Federal Land Bank Associations, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Production Credit Associations	Farm Credit Administration 1501 Farm Credit Drive Mclean, VA 22102-5090
9. Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above	FTC Regional Office for region in which the creditor operates or Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA Washington, DC 20580 (877) 382-4357

Summary of Your Rights under California Civil Code 1786.22

An investigative consumer reporting agency (“Agency”) will supply files and information that you have a right to inspect during normal business hours and on reasonable notice. All files that SterlingBackcheck maintains on you will be made available for your visible inspection, as follows:

- In person, if you appear in person and furnish proper identification. A copy of the file will also be available to you for a fee not to exceed the actual costs of copying.
- By certified mail, if you make a written request to, with proper identification, for copies to be sent to a specified address. However, agencies complying with a request for such a mailing will not be liable for disclosures to third parties caused by mishandling of mail after it leaves the Agency.

- A summary of all information contained in your file and required to be provided to you under the California Civil code will be provided by telephone, if you have made a written request, with proper identification.
- “Proper identification” includes documents such as a valid driver’s license, social security account number, military identification card, and credit cards. Only if you cannot identify yourself with such information may the Agency require additional information concerning your employment and personal or family history in order to verify his identity.
- The Agency will provide trained personnel to explain any information furnished to you pursuant to Civil Code 1786.10. The Agency will provide a written explanation of any coded information contained in your file. This written explanation shall be distributed whenever a file is provided to you for visual inspection.
- You may be accompanied by one other person of your choice when you come to inspect your file. This person must furnish reasonable identification. The Agency may require you to furnish a written statement granting permission to the Agency to discuss your file in your companion’s presence.

Resumen de sus derechos bajo el Código Civil de California 1786.22

Una agencia de informes de investigación de consumidores (“Agencia”) proporcionará archivos e información que usted tiene derecho a inspeccionar durante el horario comercial normal y con un aviso razonable. Todos los archivos que SterlingBackcheck mantenga acerca de usted serán puestos a su disposición para inspección visual, como sigue:

- En persona, si usted comparece en persona y proporciona la identificación apropiada. Se pondrá asimismo a disposición suya una copia del informe por un costo no superior al costo efectivo de hacer las copias.
- Por correo certificado, si usted efectúa una solicitud escrita, con identificación apropiada, para que se envíen copias a una dirección especificada. No obstante, las agencias que cumplan con una solicitud de tal tipo de envío por correo no serán responsables de las divulgaciones a terceros causadas por un manejo inapropiado del correo una vez que salga de la Agencia.
- Se proporcionará por teléfono un resumen de toda la información contenida en su archivo y que se requiera que sea proporcionada en virtud del Código Civil de California, si usted efectúa una solicitud escrita, con identificación apropiada.
- El término “Identificación apropiada” incluye documentos tales como una licencia válida para manejar, número de cuenta del Seguro Social, tarjeta de identificación militar, y tarjetas de crédito. Únicamente si usted no puede identificarse con tal información la Agencia podrá requerir información adicional en relación con su empleo e historial personal o familiar para verificar su identidad.
- La Agencia proporcionará personal capacitado para explicar cualquier información proporcionada a usted de conformidad con el Código Civil 1786.10. La Agencia proporcionará una explicación escrita de cualquier información codificada contenida en su archivo. Esta explicación escrita será distribuida siempre que un archivo le sea proporcionado a usted para inspección visual.
- Usted puede estar acompañado por otra persona de su elección cuando venga a inspeccionar su archivo. Esta persona debe proporcionar una identificación razonable. La Agencia puede requerir que usted proporcione una declaración escrita concediendo permiso a la Agencia para hablar de su archivo en presencia de la persona que le acompañe.