

February 16, 2005

**Via Facsimile (770) 752-6245
and First Class Mail**

J. Michael de Janes
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ChoicePoint, Inc.
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Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

Dear Mr. de Janes:

We write this letter on behalf of state attorneys general from the states of Illinois, Alaska, Arizona, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Ohio, Oregon, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, and Washington.

It is with great concern that we have learned about the fact that personal information in the possession of ChoicePoint, Inc. has been compromised and released to parties engaged in identity theft. It is our understanding that ChoicePoint has begun efforts to inform California citizens that their personal information may have been compromised. We insist that ChoicePoint take immediate corrective action to notify all citizens of our states who have or may have been affected by this breach.

Specifically, the following action should be immediately taken by ChoicePoint, Inc.:

- a. ChoicePoint, Inc. should immediately inform all persons whose personal information is known to have been compromised, providing them with as much detailed information as possible about the breach and when it occurred, and urging them to check their credit reports for new accounts or suspicious activity.
- b. For those persons whose personal information may have been compromised, ChoicePoint, Inc. should immediately inform them of this possibility, and urge them to check their credit reports for new accounts or suspicious activity.

We will continue to monitor and evaluate this matter to determine whether any additional

action should be taken by ChoicePoint in this regard. We would like to meet with you to discuss the specifics concerning how this compromise of information occurred, and how the citizens of our states have been affected.

While we present this demand on behalf of the citizens of our respective states, we believe that ChoicePoint should undertake efforts to provide prompt and accurate notification to the citizens of all states. Other state attorneys general may be joining in this request in the future.

Please immediately provide us with a detailed response to this letter, outlining ChoicePoint's intended course of action, and a notification time frame. Thank you for your prompt attention to this serious matter.

Sincerely,

Deborah Hagan
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