United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

September 12, 2017

The Honorable Jay Clayton
Chairman
Securities & Exchange Commission
100 F Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20549

The Honorable Jeff Sessions
Attorney General
Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530

The Honorable Maureen Ohlhausen
Acting Chairman
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580

Dear Chairman Clayton, Attorney General Sessions, and Acting Chairman Ohlhausen:

We write to request that the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Trade Commission investigate disturbing reports that senior Equifax executives sold more than $1.5 million in Equifax securities within days of a cybersecurity breach that may have compromised the personal information, including Social Security numbers, of as many as 143 million Americans. In addition, there are reports that Equifax "also lost control of an unspecified number of driver's license numbers, along with the credit card numbers for 209,000 consumers and credit dispute documents for 182,000."

As part of your investigations, we request that you conduct a thorough examination of any unusual trading, including any atypical options trading, for violations of insider trading law. To the extent that your investigations uncover any information regarding whether Equifax management employed reasonable measures to ensure the security of the now compromised data prior to this cyber breach, we would appreciate your sharing these details.

We request that you spare no effort in your investigations and in enforcing the law to the fullest extent against anyone who is found to be at fault.

We thank you for your consideration, and we request periodic updates on your progress.

Sincerely,

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John Kennedy

Sherrod Brown

Dan Heller

Dick Durbin

Patty Murray

Robert Menendez

Mark R Warner

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