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## Important Consumer Information

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### Anti-Fraud Disclosure Statement

Electronic communications such as e-mail, text messages and social media messaging are neither secure nor confidential. While **Long & Foster Real Estate, Inc. (Long & Foster)** has adopted policies and procedures to aid in avoiding fraud, even the best security protections can still be bypassed by unauthorized parties. Long & Foster will never send you any electronic communication with instructions to transfer funds or to provide nonpublic personal information, such as credit card, bank account or taxpayer identification numbers.

**YOU SHOULD NEVER TRANSMIT NONPUBLIC PERSONAL INFORMATION, SUCH AS CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD, BANK ACCOUNT OR ROUTING NUMBERS, BY EMAIL OR OTHER UNSECURED ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION. EMAILS ATTEMPTING TO INDUCE FRAUDULENT WIRE TRANSFERS MAY APPEAR TO COME FROM A TRUSTED SOURCE.**

Please be aware that there are numerous e-mail phishing scams that involve fraudulent requests to wire funds in conjunction with a real estate transaction. Long & Foster recommends that if you receive any electronic communication directing you to transfer funds or provide nonpublic personal information, **EVEN IF THAT ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION APPEARS TO BE FROM A REPRESENTATIVE OF LONG & FOSTER**, do not respond. Such requests, even if they may otherwise appear to be from Long & Foster, could be part of a scheme to defraud you by misdirecting the transfer of sale proceeds or using your identity to commit a crime.

If you should receive wiring instructions via electronic means that appear to be from a legitimate source involved in your real estate transaction, you should verify - using contact information other than that provided in the communication - that the instructions were sent by an actual representative of the requesting company. Conversely, if you have provided wiring instructions to a third party, it is important to confirm with the representative of said company that the wire instructions are not to be substituted without your verified written consent. If you have received wiring instructions that appear to be from Long & Foster, a settlement company or any other entity, please contact the representative with whom you are working at Long & Foster (in person or by telephone) for assistance. ***Please remember that when wiring funds, never rely exclusively on an e-mail, fax or text communication.***

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:** I/we have read this Anti-Fraud Disclosure Statement and understand that Long & Foster will never send me/us any electronic communication with instructions to transfer funds or provide financial account numbers or other nonpublic personal information.

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Signature

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