

# FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

## Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

**ACTION:** Notice of Modified Systems of Records.

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**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the FDIC proposes the following changes to its Privacy Act system of records notices: (1) Revise one existing routine use and add one new routine use in all system notices to conform with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance to federal agencies regarding response and remedial efforts in the event of a data breach; (2) Add one new routine use to permit disclosure of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request records to the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) so that it may fulfill its statutory responsibilities; and (3) Make non-substantive editorial and formatting changes to all system notices for clarity and to conform to the updated system notice template prescribed in OMB Circular A-108. We hereby publish this notice for comment on the proposed actions.

**DATES:** This action will become effective on **[ Date of Publication ]**. The routine uses in this action will become effective 30 days after publication, unless the FDIC makes changes based on comments received. Written comments should be submitted on or before the effective date.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written comments identified by *Privacy Act Systems of Records* by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Agency Website:* <https://www.FDIC.gov/regulations/laws/federal>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the FDIC website.
- *Email:* [Comments@fdic.gov](mailto:Comments@fdic.gov).
- *Mail:* Gary Jackson, Counsel, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Virginia Square D-8012, Washington, DC 20429.
- *Hand Delivery:* Comments may be hand-delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Building (located on F Street), on business days between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shannon Dahn, Chief, Privacy Section, Phone (703) 516-1162, Email [sdahn@fdic.gov](mailto:sdahn@fdic.gov); or Gary Jackson, Counsel, Phone (703) 562-2677, Email, [gjackson@fdic.gov](mailto:gjackson@fdic.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a, at subsection (b)(3), requires each agency to publish, for public notice and comment, routine uses describing any disclosures of information about an individual that the agency intends to make from a Privacy Act system of records without the individual's prior written consent, other than those which are authorized directly in the Privacy Act at subsections (b)(1)-(2) and (b)(4)-(12). The Privacy Act

defines “routine use” at subsection (a)(7) to mean a disclosure for a purpose compatible with the purpose for which the record was collected.

In accordance with OMB Memorandum M-17-12, issued January 3, 2017, titled “*Preparing for and Responding to a Breach of Personally Identifiable Information*,” the FDIC is modifying its current general routine use number (4) and adding a new general routine use number (5) to each system notice to authorize the FDIC to disclose information when necessary to obtain assistance with a suspected or confirmed data breach or to assist another agency in its response to a breach. The first routine use presented below is a revised version of current general routine use number (4) prescribed in former OMB Memorandum M-07-16 and first published in the *Federal Register* by the FDIC on October 29, 2007 (72 FR 61131). The second new general routine use presented below is being added to each the FDIC system notice as number (5) and all routine uses have been renumbered to account for this addition.

(4) To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when (a) the FDIC suspects or has confirmed that there has been a breach of the system of records; (b) the FDIC has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed breach there is a risk of harm to individuals, the FDIC (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security; and (c) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the FDIC’s efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed breach or to prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

(5) To another Federal agency or Federal entity, when the FDIC determines that information from this system of records is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in (a) responding to a suspected or confirmed breach or (b) preventing, minimizing, or remedying the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.

The FDIC is also adding a new routine use to the FDIC 30-64-0022, Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Request Records, as presented below. This new routine use will permit records to be provided to the National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) for purposes set forth under 5 U.S.C. 552(h), including to review agency compliance with FOIA, provide mediation services to resolve FOIA disputes, and identify policies and procedures for improving FOIA compliance.

(9) To the National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to the extent necessary to fulfill its responsibilities in 5 U.S.C. 552(h), to review administrative agency policies, procedures, and compliance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and to facilitate OGIS’s offering of mediation services to resolve disputes between persons making FOIA requests and administrative agencies.

In addition, this notice makes non-substantive editorial and formatting changes to all system notices for clarity and to conform to the updated system notice template prescribed in

OMB Circular A-108. More detailed information on the revised systems of records may be viewed in the complete text below.

The report of modified systems of records has been submitted to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate, and the Office of Management and Budget, pursuant to OMB Circular A-108, "Federal Agency Responsibilities for Review, Reporting, and Publication under the Privacy Act" and the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a(r).

The FDIC last published a complete list of its system notices in the *Federal Register* on October 30, 2015 (80 FR 66981). This publication may be viewed on the FDIC's Privacy Program web page at [www.fdic.gov/about/privacy](http://www.fdic.gov/about/privacy).

**SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:** Insured Financial Institution Liquidation Records, FDIC-30-64-0013.

**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:** Unclassified.

**SYSTEM LOCATION:** Division of Resolutions and Receiverships, FDIC, 550 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20429, and Field Operations Branch, Division of Resolutions and Receiverships, FDIC, 1601 Bryan Street, Dallas, Texas 7520. Duplicate systems may exist, in whole or in part, at secure sites and on secure servers maintained by third-party service providers for the FDIC.

**SYSTEM MANAGER(S):** Division of Resolutions and Receiverships, FDIC, 550 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20429; and Deputy Director, Field Operations Branch, FDIC, 1601 Bryan Street, Dallas, Texas 75201.

**AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:** Sections 9, 11, and 13 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1819, 1821, and 1823) and applicable state laws governing the liquidation of assets and winding-up of the affairs of financial institutions.

**PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:** The records support the receivership, conservatorship, and other resolution functions of the FDIC authorized by applicable Federal and state statutes. The records are maintained to: (a) identify and manage loan obligations and assets acquired from failed FDIC-insured financial institutions for which the FDIC was appointed receiver or conservator, or from FDIC-insured financial institutions that were provided assistance by the FDIC; (b) identify, manage and discharge the obligations to creditors, obligees and other claimants of FDIC-insured financial institutions for which the FDIC was appointed receiver or conservator, or of FDIC-insured financial institutions that were provided assistance by the FDIC; and (c) support resolution planning, administration, and research in accordance with statutory mandates.

**CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:** Individuals who were obligors, obligees, or subject to claims of FDIC-insured financial institutions for which the FDIC was appointed receiver or conservator of FDIC-insured financial institutions that were provided

assistance by the FDIC and the FDIC is acting as receiver or conservator of certain of the financial institution's assets. Note: Only records reflecting personal information are subject to the Privacy Act. This system also contains records concerning failed financial institution receiverships, corporations, other business entities, and organizations whose records are not subject to the Privacy Act.

**CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:** This system contains the individual's files held by the closed or assisted financial institution, including loan or contractual agreements, related documents, and correspondence. The system also contains FDIC asset files, including judgments obtained, restitution orders, and loan deficiencies arising from the liquidation of the obligor's loan asset(s) and associated collateral, if any; information relating to the obligor's financial condition such as financial statements and income tax returns; asset or collateral verifications or searches; appraisals; and potential sources of repayment. FDIC asset files also include intra- or inter-agency memoranda, as well as notes, correspondence, and other documents relating to the liquidation of the loan obligation or asset. FDIC receivership claim files may include all information related to claims filed with the receivership estate by a failed financial institution's landlords, creditors, service providers or other obligees or claimants. Note: Records held by the FDIC as receiver are a part of this system only to the extent that the state law governing the receivership is not inconsistent or does not otherwise establish specific requirements.

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:** Information is obtained from the individual on whom the record is maintained; appraisers retained by the originating financial institution or the FDIC; investigative and/or research companies; credit bureaus and/or services; loan servicers; court records; references named by the individual; attorneys or accountants retained by the originating financial institution or the FDIC; participants in the obligation(s) of the individual; officers and employees of the financial institution; congressional offices that may initiate an inquiry; and other parties providing services to the FDIC in support of the resolution functions of the FDIC.

**ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USE:** In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, all or a portion of the records or information contained in this system may be disclosed outside the FDIC as a routine use as follows:

- (1) To appropriate Federal, State, local and foreign authorities responsible for investigating or prosecuting a violation of, or for enforcing or implementing a statute, rule, regulation, or order issued, when the information indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether civil, criminal, or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by general statute or particular program statute, or by regulation, rule, or order issued pursuant thereto;
- (2) To a court, magistrate, or other administrative body in the course of presenting evidence, including disclosures to counsel or witnesses in the course of civil discovery, litigation, or settlement negotiations or in connection with criminal proceedings, when the FDIC is a party to the proceeding or has a significant interest in the proceeding, to the extent that the information is determined to be relevant and necessary;
- (3) To a congressional office in response to an inquiry made by the congressional office at the request of the individual who is the subject of the record;

- (4) To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when (a) the FDIC suspects or has confirmed that there has been a breach of the system of records; (b) the FDIC has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed breach there is a risk of harm to individuals, the FDIC (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security; the FDIC and (c) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the FDIC's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed breach or to prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm;
- (5) To another Federal agency or Federal entity, when the FDIC determines that information from this system of records is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in (a) responding to a suspected or confirmed breach or (b) preventing, minimizing, or remedying the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.
- (6) To appropriate Federal, State, and local authorities in connection with hiring or retaining an individual, conducting a background security or suitability investigation, adjudication of liability, or eligibility for a license, contract, grant, or other benefit;
- (7) To appropriate Federal, State, and local authorities, agencies, arbitrators, and other parties responsible for processing any personnel actions or conducting administrative hearings or corrective actions or grievances or appeals, or if needed in the performance of other authorized duties;
- (8) To appropriate Federal agencies and other public authorities for use in records management inspections;
- (9) To contractors or entities performing services for the FDIC in connection with the liquidation of an individual's obligation(s), including judgments and loan deficiencies or in connection with the fulfillment of a claim filed with the FDIC. Third party contractors include, but are not limited to, asset marketing contractors; loan servicers; appraisers; environmental contractors; attorneys retained by the FDIC; collection agencies; auditing or accounting firms retained to assist in an audit or investigation of the FDIC's resolution activities; grantees, volunteers, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or project for the FDIC;
- (10) To officials of a labor organization when relevant and necessary to their duties of exclusive representation concerning personnel policies, practices, and matters affecting working conditions;
- (11) To prospective purchaser(s) of the individual's obligation(s), including judgments and loan deficiencies, for the purpose of informing the prospective purchaser(s) about the nature and quality of the loan obligation(s) to be purchased;
- (12) To Federal or State agencies, such as the Internal Revenue Service or State taxation authorities, in the performance of their governmental duties, such as obtaining information regarding income, including the reporting of income resulting from a compromise or write-off of a loan obligation;
- (13) To participants in the loan obligation in order to fulfill any contractual or incidental responsibilities in connection with the loan participation agreement;
- (14) To the Department of the Treasury, federal debt collection centers, other appropriate federal agencies, and private collection contractors or other third parties authorized by law, for the purpose of collecting or assisting in the collection of delinquent debts owed

to the FDIC. Disclosure of information contained in these records will be limited to the individual's name, Social Security number, and other information necessary to establish the identity of the individual, and the existence, validity, amount, status and history of the debt.

- (15) To Federal or State agencies or to financial institutions where information is relevant to an application or request by the individual for a loan, grant, financial benefit, or other entitlement;
- (16) To Federal or State examiners for the purposes of examining borrowing relationships in operating financial institutions that may be related to an obligation of an individual covered by this system; and
- (17) To the individual, the individual's counsel or other representatives, insurance carrier(s) or underwriters of bankers' blanket bonds or other financial institution bonds in conjunction with claims made by the FDIC or litigation instituted by the FDIC or others on behalf of the FDIC against former officers, directors, accountants, lawyers, consultants, appraisers, or underwriters of bankers' blanket bonds or other financial institution bonds.

**DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(12), disclosures may be made from this system to consumer reporting agencies as defined in the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681a(f)) or the Federal Claims Collection Act of 1966 (31 U.S.C. 3701(a)(3)).

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:** Records are stored in electronic media and in paper format within individual file folders.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:** Records are indexed by financial institution number, name of failed or assisted insured institution, name of individual, social security number, and loan number.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:** Insured Financial Institution Liquidation and Unclaimed Deposit Account Records are maintained ten years after termination of the receivership or as established by state or Federal law or court order, if longer. Disposal is by shredding or other appropriate disposal methods.

**ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:** Electronic records are password-protected and accessible only by authorized personnel. Paper records are maintained in lockable metal file cabinets and/or in secured vaults or warehouses accessible only to authorized personnel.

**RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:** Individuals wishing to request access to records about them in this system of records must submit their request in writing to the FDIC FOIA & Privacy Act Group, 550 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20429, or email [efoia@fdic.gov](mailto:efoia@fdic.gov). Requests must include full name, address, and verification of identity in accordance with FDIC regulations at 12 CFR part 310.

**CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:** Individuals wishing to contest or request an amendment to their records in this system of records must submit their request in writing to the

FDIC FOIA & Privacy Act Group, 550 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20429, or email [efoia@fdic.gov](mailto:efoia@fdic.gov). Requests must specify the information being contested, the reasons for contesting it, and the proposed amendment to such information in accordance with FDIC regulations at 12 CFR part 310.

**NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:** Individuals wishing to know whether this system contains information about them must submit their request in writing to the FDIC FOIA & Privacy Act Group, 550 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20429, or email [efoia@fdic.gov](mailto:efoia@fdic.gov). Requests must include full name, address, and verification of identity in accordance with FDIC regulations at 12 CFR part 310.

**EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:** None.

**HISTORY:** 80 FR 66981 (October 30, 2015).