

# Steps When Repairing Unemployment Insurance Fraud

- ❖ Notify your employer immediately, if you have not already.
- ❖ File a report through your state.
  - ❖ Please use the following link to report unemployment fraud in your state:  
[https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/Pages/Reporting\\_Unemployment\\_Insurance\\_Fraud.aspx](https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/Pages/Reporting_Unemployment_Insurance_Fraud.aspx)
- ❖ Create an online account with the Social Security Administration to see if anyone was working under your Social Security before filing unemployment (this is not common, but we do recommend this to be safe).
  - ❖ Visit <https://www.ssa.gov/> to create your my Social Security account
  - ❖ If you run into any issues or have any questions with this account, please contact SSA at 1-800-772-1213 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight Eastern Standard Time (EST).
  - ❖ After you hear "Briefly tell me why you are calling," please say "Help Desk" for help with a mySocial Security account.
- ❖ You will want to file form 14039 Identity Theft Affidavit with the IRS.
  - ❖ You can locate the form on:  
<https://www.irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/employment-related-identity-theft>
- ❖ Pull a free credit report from <https://www.annualcreditreport.com/> and review reports for any fraudulent activity.
- ❖ Notify your local police department of this theft. Most states will require a copy of a police report, so it may be best to ask your police department for a report of this theft for your records.
- ❖ File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at [www.identitytheft.gov](http://www.identitytheft.gov) The FTC enters this information into a secure online database that law enforcement agencies use in their investigations.
- ❖ Create an online account with USPS. This online account allows you to preview your incoming mail, track packages, and manage your mail. This allows you to catch any mail fraud as soon as it happens.
  - ❖ Visit <http://usps.com/> Choose "Informed Delivery" in the top right corner of the screen.
- ❖ Place a Fraud Alert with the credit bureaus. A Fraud Alert can be a strong preventative tool, as they allow creditors to be forewarned that a person may be at a heightened risk of identity theft.