

## FRAUDULENT & IMPOSTER UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS December 2020



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Even if you take all recommended steps, there is no guarantee you will be free from identity theft. Data breaches are out of our control.





Claim Filed

State will send to the employer OR the employer's rep Employer or employer representative responds – <u>UI</u>

**Integrity Act of 2011 requires details** 



**Determination** 

Approves or denies benefits

Either party may appeal



Unemployment hearing

This is your final opportunity to present any and all details on the case

**Hearing Decision** 

Either party may appeal to Board



**Circuit Court** 

Legal Matter





Be unemployed or working reduced hours



Minimum number of qualifying weeks and/or hours



Unemployed through no fault of the claimant



Claimant also maintains

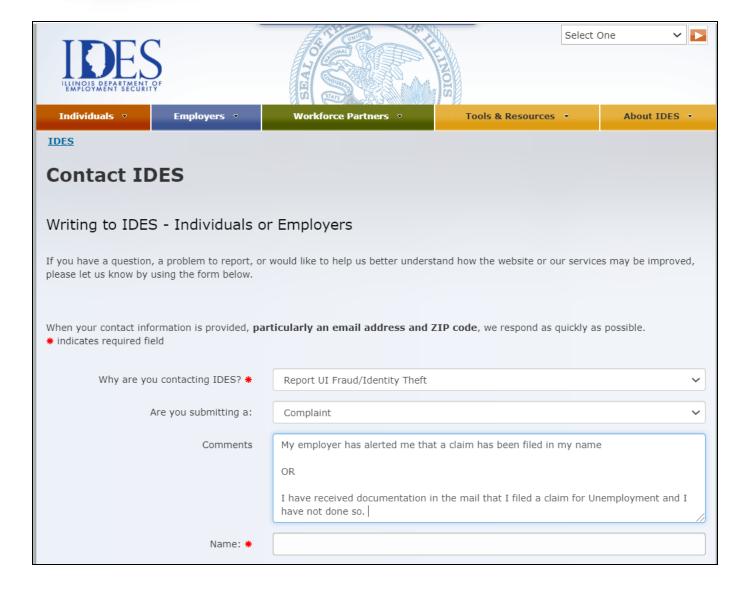
Able to work
Available to work
Actively seeking work



- Unemployment Fraud is massive across the US
- Fraud vs. Imposter claims
- How it works:
  - Claim filed in your name
    - It means they have your Full SSN and Driver's License information
  - Payment sent to an account and routing number that is not associated with you

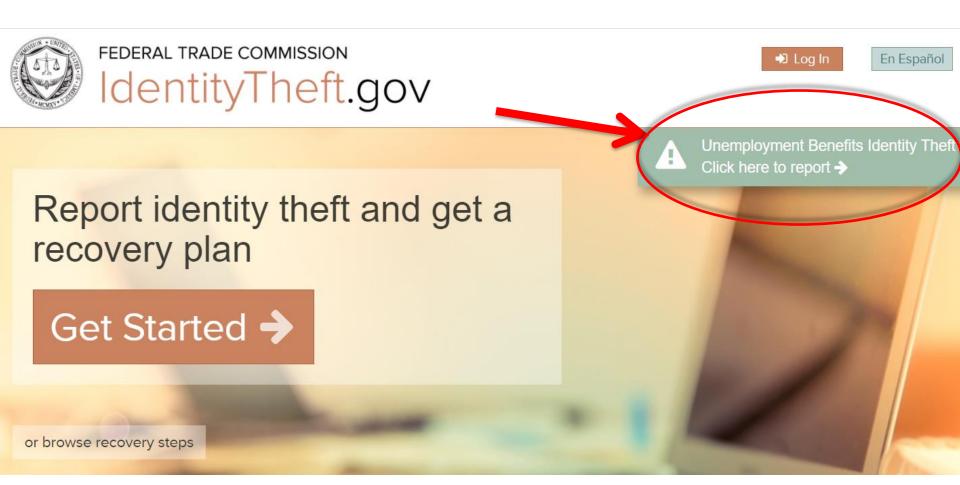
- If your employer alerts you of the claim filed in your name OR if you receive documents in the mail that alert you that someone has filed a claim in your name
  - If Cook County alerts you, confirm you did not file
  - If found out from the mail, follow the next steps, and send an email to Cook County to notify the IG
  - Go to the IDES website and read the most updated information and report the Identity Theft
    - https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/Pages/Reporting Unemployment\_ Insurance Fraud.aspx
    - https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/Pages/Contact-IDES\_Form.aspx
    - You can call instead to report the fraudulent activity, however it may take up to 4 weeks to get a call back - (800) 814-0513







Complete the Unemployment Fraud Report on Identitytheft.gov





## **Credit Reporting Agency Phone Numbers and Website Information:**

- Equifax (800) 685-1111 or <u>www.Equifax.com/personal/credit-report-</u> services
- Experian (888) 397-3742 or <u>www.Experian.com/help</u>
- TransUnion (888) 909-8872 or <u>www.TransUnion.com/credit-help</u>
- Place a one-year fraud alert on your credit report
- Place a seven-year extended fraud alert on your credit report
- Freeze your credit if you are not using it any time soon
- Get free copies of your credit report monthly until April 2021 at www.annualcreditreport.com
- <a href="https://oig.ssa.gov/report">https://oig.ssa.gov/report</a> report SSN Fraud to Social Security Administration



Thank you