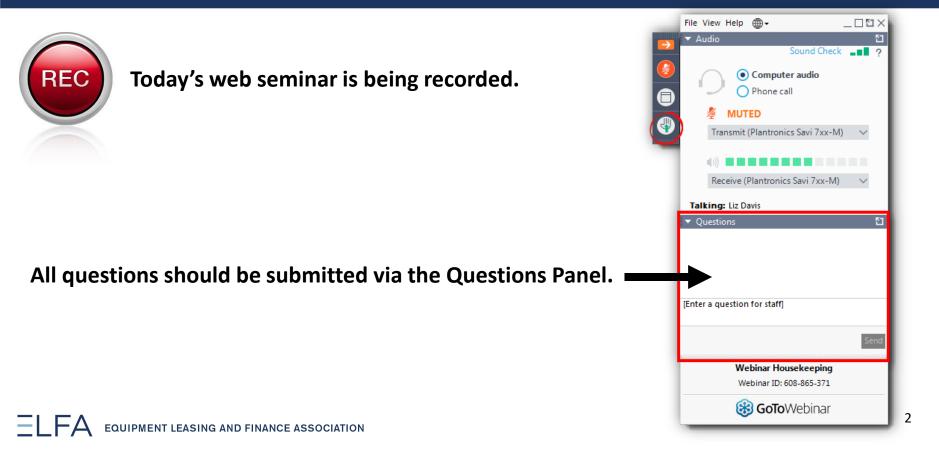
# Fraud: What's **Old is New Again** March 8, 2023 **ELFA Wednesday Webinar at 1**

## Housekeeping



## Welcome and Introductions



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# Fraud at Origination of Transaction

## **Borrower Fraud**

- Borrower defrauds Lender, to get a valuable piece of equipment or loan proceeds
- Shell corporations, or Borrower purchases corporation that has been incorporated for several years, but not necessarily active
- Borrower refuses to list Lender's lien on the collateral for titled vehicles



#### Vendor Fraud

- Sham Vendor fails to provide equipment, or in cahoots with the Borrower
- Legit Vendor that goes bad falsifies transactions with fake Borrowers, or forges signatures of legit Borrowers



## **General Fraud**

- Exploiting automated credit approval process
- Fraudsters circumventing red flags





# Fraud During Transaction

#### • Ongoing/Payment Fraud

- Existing accounts are exploited by identity theft directing funds to be "paid away" to a fraudulent party.
  - Online Phishing
  - Hacking into core system
  - Stealing emails and recreating under a similar looking account('disguised email")

#### • Example

- County gets email system hacked
- Monitors how transactions work
- Sets up legitimate account at a bank
- Sends a disguised email with new wire instructions for payment on an existing transaction to the new bank account.

## **Cyber Threats**

- Cost of cybercrimes in 2020 \$4.2 billion
  - Average cost of ransomware attack -\$1.85 million

#### Cyber Threats

- Ransomware
- Malware
- Phishing
- Security breaches
- Stalkerware
- Social engineering

#### **Cyber Insurance**

- Insurance companies requiring multifactor authentication ("MFA") or dropping coverage
- Premiums rising 25% or greater without proper controls in place



## Signs of Fraud

- Lots of UCCs filed against Borrower?
- Transaction makes sense for the business?
- Transaction makes geographic sense?
- Is the vendor a solid player in the industry?
- Does the equipment exist?

# Mitigating/Preventing Fraud

## Lots of UCCs filed against Borrower?

• Automate pulling of UCCs

## Service Providers from the ELFF study:

- CSC
- Wolters Kluwer
- Middesk

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## Transaction makes geographic sense?

- Device & IP Checks
  - Where did the IP originate from
  - Was it from a VPN?
  - What type of device

# Service Providers from the ELFF study:

- Other Red Flag Checks
  - Phone
    - Match name to phone number
    - Pre-paid "Burners"
    - o VOIP
  - Email
    - How long an email has been in use
  - Address Verification
    - o Is it a legit business address
    - $\circ$   $\,$  Does the address match the company name
  - Network Scores
    - Are these companies confirmed by larger networks (e.g. Mastercard)

## Phone/Email/Address/Network Service Providers ELFF Study:

- o Ekata
- o Socure
- o Kount
- $\circ$  Datamerch
- o Prove

# Mitigating/Preventing Fraud

#### Authentication

- Verify you're talking with borrower and the borrower is legit
  - Scan ID cards (Intelligent Data Capture)
  - Document Verification
  - BioMetric (Facial Recognition)
- Increase Customer Satisfaction
  - Pre-fill credit applications
- Service Providers from the ELFF study:
  - OnFido
  - Accuant
  - Idiology
  - Incode
  - MicroBlink

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## KYB

- SOS Validation
  - $\,\circ\,$  How long have they been in business
  - $\circ$  Who are the registered owners
- Suits/Liens/Judgments
- Ultimate Business Ownership
- Service Providers from the ELFF study:
  - $\circ$  Middesk
  - $\circ$  LexisNexis
  - $\circ$  Thomson Reuters
  - o Trulio

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## **Document Validation**

- See if a document has been tampered with
  - $\circ$  Can validate: Bank Statements, Invoices, Financial Statements
- Service Providers from the ELFF study:
  - $\circ$  Inscribe

#### **Required Logins**

- Require logging on to Bank
- Require logging on to accounting system
- Service Providers from the ELFF study:
  - Plaid/Yodlee (Bank)
  - Codat (accounting)

#### **Behavior Score**

- How data is entered in a form (order/copy & paste/tempo)
- Service Providers from the ELFF study:
  - o Neuro-iD

#### Fraud is only limited by human imagination. Undoubtedly, new schemes are birthed by fraudsters every day!









## Thank You!



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