A Problem in This Day and Age

9:00 Welcoming Remarks

Chairwoman Edith Ramirez Federal Trade Commission

9:15 Panel 1: Tax & Government Benefits Identity Theft

This panel will explore tax and benefits identity theft among older Americans. Senior citizens are particularly vulnerable to this crime because their personal information may be easily accessible by numerous individuals. Panelists will examine the scope of the problem; what caregivers and support professionals can do to prevent it; and steps to remedy it. Finally, the panelists will discuss the unique identity theft challenges to seniors as the government moves to deliver benefits through prepaid, reloadable debit cards.

MODERATOR

Steven Toporoff Federal Trade Commission

PANELISTS

Amber Smith Internal Revenue Service Office of Privacy and Information Protection

Christopher Lee Internal Revenue Service Taxpayer Advocate Service

David Lindner

Social Security Administration Office of Privacy and Disclosure Susan Morgenstern Legal Aid Society of Cleveland

Robert Kerr National Association of Enrolled Agents (NAEA)

John Morton Green Dot Corporation

10:45 Break

11:00 Panel 2: Medical Identity Theft

Panelists from the government, the private sector, and advocacy groups will discuss seniors' vulnerability to identity theft in the health care arena. The panelists also will consider the impact of new laws related to the issue, as well as best practices for seniors and their advocates to detect, prevent, and remedy medical identity theft.

MODERATOR

Megan Cox Federal Trade Commission

PANELISTS

Pam Dixon World Privacy Forum

Andy McKee U.S. Department of Health and

Human Services Office of Inspector General Rick Kam

Robin M. Slade Medical Identity Fraud Alliance

12:15 Lunch – on your own



1:30 Panel 3: Identity Theft in Long-term Care

This panel will explore senior identity theft in the long-term care context, including nursing homes, assisted living, and in-home care. Senior citizens in long-term care are at risk of identity theft because their personal information is readily accessible by numerous individuals. Panelists will examine the scope of the problem; what caregivers and support professionals can do to prevent identity theft in long-term care; the challenges of assisting seniors with diminished capacity; steps to remedy identity theft; and possible solutions.

MODERATOR

Lisa Weintraub Schifferle Federal Trade Commission

PANELISTS

Lori Stiegel

American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging

Becky Kurtz

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Long-term Care Ombudsman Programs

Naomi Karp

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Office for Older Americans

Neal Walters

Sarah Wells Consumer Voice

2:45 Break

3:00 Panel 4: Reaching Older Consumers

This panel will discuss how to reach consumers ages 65 and older with educational messages. As a massive and growing demographic, older consumers are frequent targets of marketers and educators alike. But how can we find this audience, get our messages in front of them, and convince them to listen – and even act? Are approaches different for different segments of the older population? What about when older consumers aren't actively seeking the information – and might not really want it? Panelists will share experiences and ideas about best practices to reach older consumers with educational messages. Audience participation is encouraged.

MODERATOR:

Jennifer Leach Federal Trade Commission

PANELISTS:

Elinor Ginzler Jewish Council for the Aging of Greater Washington Center for Supportive Services

Teresa A. Keenan, Ph.D. AARP **Aaron Tax**

Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders (SAGE) and The Diverse Elders Coalition

Andrew Tuck, Ph.D. Applied Research & Consulting

Erin Van der Bellen WUSA-9

4:15 Concluding Remarks

Charles A. Harwood Acting Director

Bureau of Consumer Protection Federal Trade Commission

4:30 Adjourn

