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Security Tips for a Safe and On-Time Closing

Fraudsters are leveraging the latest technology. You should be too. Review this checklist and ensure you're following security best practices to protect your sensitive information.

- ☐ Use a **secure portal** for all tasks related to your closing, including **document sharing and messaging**, instead of email

- ☐ Enable **two-factor authentication (2FA)** wherever possible

- ☐ Use a **password manager** such as 1Password or BitWarden to generate and manage passwords. Do not keep passwords written on paper

- ☐ Use a **unique, long, and complex password** for every device and application used for your closing. Do not reuse passwords

- ☐ Flag **suspicious or urgent money requests** to your settlement agency

- ☐ Raise a red flag to your settlement agency if you are asked to provide funds in a way that contradicts wire instructions you've previously received

- ☐ Call to **verify wire instructions** with your settlement agency prior to sending any funds

- ☐ Beware of **email phishing scams**

- ☐ If you do receive an email message, check the sender's **email domain** for 100% accuracy, and do not click any links or open attachments that come from an unknown party

- ☐ Periodically **review login activity** for your email account to see if there's been any suspicious activity

- ☐ **Promptly install** all browser and operating system updates to ensure your computer's defenses are up-to-date