

# **Ascensus Privacy Policy**

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Ascensus, LLC and its affiliated companies are dedicated to protecting the privacy of business partners, clients, state-entities, and account owners (hereinafter, collectively, the "Clients"), and any on-line website visitors. This Privacy Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") covers the information privacy practices of Ascensus, LLC and its affiliated companies (individually and/or collectively, "Ascensus" or "we" or "our" or "us"), and describes Ascensus' information security practices relating to the collection and use of personal information collected either (i) in our capacity as a processor or service provider to our Clients; or (ii) through visitors accessing any websites Ascensus maintains (hereinafter, the "Sites"); or (iii) through websites maintained by Ascensus affiliated companies (each an "Ascensus Affiliated Company" as used herein). For more specific information about how we process your personal information, including information specific to privacy laws in your state of residence, please review our <u>Privacy Management Page</u>.

Although this Policy covers Ascensus' general privacy practices, each Ascensus Affiliated Company's privacy practices may vary. Refer to the specific Ascensus Affiliated Company website or privacy policy literature for information relating to the privacy policies specific to your applicable services, plan or account.

## 1. What is Personal Information?

As used in this Policy, "personal information" means data identifiable to any person, including, among other things, your name and address, Social Security or taxpayer identification number, and date of birth or as otherwise defined by applicable law.

## 2. Information Collected

#### Information you provide to us.

We obtain information you, or someone on your behalf, provides to us in writing (including email or other means of electronic communication) or by telephone, such as when you, or your employer acting on your behalf, sign up for services with Ascensus; contact Ascensus' customer service staff members; and/or input information through our Site(s). This information may include items such as your name, address, birthdate, telephone number, location, social security number, credit card numbers, gender, log-in credentials, beneficiary name, beneficiary birthdate, e-mail address, passport number, account activity and/or other financial account information such as account numbers.

#### Information we receive from third parties.

We obtain information about you from third parties, including our Clients, partners, and Ascensus Affiliated Companies, or public sources. This information may include name, address, birthdate, telephone number, social security number, gender, beneficiary name, beneficiary birthdate, as well as information about your purchases with Ascensus Affiliated Companies, information about your transactions and account activity with us.



# Information we collect automatically when you connect to Ascensus technology systems via your technology device.

When you access a page of a Site via a browser, application, or handheld mobile device, our web servers automatically record certain information. This information may include data such as the web page you are coming from or going to, terms you search, pages you view on a Site or mobile application, your interaction with a Site, application or online service provider, your IP address, mobile device ID, browser type, browser language, device type, and data contained in one or more Cookies or other tracking technologies (discussed in more detail, below) that uniquely identifies your browser, your computer, your device and/or your Ascensus account. This information is collected to allow us to deliver services or information you have requested, help prevent fraud, better understand user behavior on our Sites, assist in troubleshooting problems, and improve the quality of our service. Please be aware that in some cases your IP address will be used to determine your general location.

# 3. The following portion of the Privacy Policy applies to information collected or received through various technologies including computers, applications, web browsers and mobile devices:

#### Use of Cookies and Other Tracking Technology to Collect Information

A "Cookie" is a small string of text that is sent to your computer or mobile device when you use our Site(s).

Ascensus uses Google Analytics, Microsoft Clarity, LinkedIn, and Firebase (while using our mobile application) to automatically collect certain types of usage information when you visit our Sites, read our emails, or otherwise engage with us. We send one or more Cookies to your computer or other mobile device and use other similar technologies such as tracking pixels, tags, web beacons, or similar tools when you visit our Site(s) or open an Ascensus e-mail. We also work with third party providers to employ technologies, including the application of statistical modeling tools which attempt to recognize you across multiple devices. Among other things, this usage information allows us to understand how you use the Site(s) and/or mobile applications, what products and services may be of interest to you and increase the ease of using our Site(s). For more information on Google Analytics' processing of your information, please see "How Google uses data when you use our partners' Services or apps" located at www.google.com/policies/privacy/partners/.

If our Site(s) utilize cookies that are not required for site functionality ("non-essential") and you would prefer **not** to accept Cookies, you may opt out of non-essential cookies by clicking the "Do Not Share My Personal Information" link in the cookie banner that is provided to you when you first visit our applicable Site(s). Additionally, most browsers will allow you to: (i) change your browser settings to notify you when you receive a Cookie, which lets you choose whether or not to accept it; (ii) disable existing Cookies; or (iii) set your browser to automatically reject Cookies. Please note that disabling or rejecting cookies that are essential such as ones that we use to authenticate you to our Site(s) may result in inability to access the Site(s) or limitations in Site functionality. If you are an existing Client or customer of Ascensus or an Ascensus Affiliated Company you will not be able to turn off Cookies and use the Site as those Sites must be capable of identifying and authenticating you to maintain the security of the information contained within them.

Additionally, depending on your device and/or operating system computer, browser or mobile app used to access our Sites, you may not be able to delete or block all Cookies. You may



also set your e-mail options to prevent the automatic downloading of images that may contain technologies that would allow us to know whether you have accessed our e-mail and performed certain functions with it. Deleting Cookies does not delete local storage objects, such as HTML5.

We also use Cookies and tracking technologies for advertising purposes.

# 4. Use of Personal Information

Ascensus uses the personal information solely to develop, offer, deliver and improve our products and services, to fulfill legal, regulatory and/or contractual requirements, and as otherwise permitted by applicable law. Ascensus does not sell personal information.

For example, we use the personal information to:

- Operate the Sites and services;
- Deliver products and services to people who use our Sites and services;
- Understand how visitors use our Sites, and determine whether the content on the Sites is
  effective;
- Improve our Sites and/or services offerings;
- Personalize your experience when you use our Sites and services and customize the communications and advertisements you receive from us and our affiliates or customers;
- Deliver advertisements and other information about products, services and applications offered by Ascensus via email, and when you visit or use third-party sites;
- Let us know which emails have been opened by recipients to understand the effectiveness
  of our marketing and other communications and to make those communications more
  useful and interesting to you;
- Communicate with you, including via email, text message, push notifications, and/or telephone calls;
- Remember your information so that you will not have to re-enter it during your next visit;
- Identify you across different devices that you use; and/or
- Diagnose or fix technology problems.

If you do not wish to receive marketing messages from Ascensus, you may indicate your preferences by clicking the "Unsubscribe" link in the email.

# **5. Our Information Sharing Practices**

Information about our customers, Site visitors, and mobile application users, if applicable, is an important part of our business. We never sell your personal information, and we do not share your personal information except as permitted or required by law or contract, including as provided below:

• <u>Ascensus Affiliated Companies</u>. We provide personal information about you to Ascensus Affiliated Companies pursuant to a contractual obligation and to the extent permitted by applicable law. These Affiliated Companies may use personal information to market to you their products and services.



- <u>Sharing Information with Nonaffiliated Third Parties</u>. We do not share your personal information with nonaffiliated third parties, except as permitted or required by law, including as provided below:
  - <u>Agents and Service Providers</u>. In order to provide our products and services, we share personal information about you with agents and service providers to perform functions on our behalf, such as to send email and postal mail, analyze data, provide marketing services, and service accounts. When we use these third parties, we disclose some of the personal information that we collect, although we give them only the personal information reasonably necessary to perform the service. Service providers with access to personal information are pre-qualified by Ascensus to ensure that information security practices are maintained throughout the term of their contract with Ascensus.
  - <u>Maintain and Service your Ascensus Account</u>. We disclose personal information about you to third parties as reasonably necessary to maintain and service your Ascensus account, including to facilitate transactions. The personal information collected at the time of your enrollment in a financial product, administered by Ascensus, is required in order to provide you with contracted services, which is why you are not able to opt-out of information sharing, as described in this Policy, once enrolled.
  - <u>Protection of Ascensus and Others</u>. We disclose personal information about you to third parties when we believe such disclosure is appropriate to comply with a legal requirement, such as a law, regulation, court order, subpoena or search warrant, or during a legal proceeding.
  - <u>Business Transfers</u>. If there is a change of control in Ascensus' business (whether by merger, sale, or otherwise), your personal information could be sold as part of that transaction and your personal information potentially could be used by the purchaser.
  - <u>With your Consent</u>. We also share your personal information with a third-party if you consent to the sharing. Ascensus does not share personal information with nonaffiliated institutions to enable them to market their products and services directly to you.

Ascensus may share with third parties, including nonaffiliated, non-financial institutions, information that does not personally identify you for any reason Ascensus deems necessary or desirable. Ascensus may also anonymize and aggregate personal information for its business purposes, which include improvement and/or development of Ascensus' products and services, and/or to create statistical reports or materials. Anonymized aggregated information is not considered personal information and may be used at Ascensus' discretion for any purpose.

#### 6. How We Store and Protect Your Information

<u>Data Storage and Transfer</u>. Your information collected through our Sites is stored and processed in the United States or any another country in which we and our services providers maintain facilities. If you are located in the European Union or other regions with laws governing data collection and use that differ from U.S. laws, please note that we transfer information, including personal information, to a country and jurisdiction that does not have the same data protection laws as your jurisdiction, and you consent to the transfer of information to the U.S. or any other country in which we or our service providers maintain facilities and the use and disclosure of information about you as described in this Policy.



<u>Keeping your Information Safe</u>. We care about the security of your information and have implemented and continue to maintain physical, administrative, and technological safeguards intended to preserve the integrity and security of all information collected through our Sites. However, no security system is impenetrable, and we cannot guarantee the security of our systems 100%.

## 7. How can I Access and Update my Ascensus Data?

You may access and update information stored in your account profile by visiting the applicable Site. Please keep your contact, account, and preference information up to date.

We will retain your information for as long as we reasonably deem it necessary to provide you services, comply with our legal or other obligations, resolve potential disputes, audit our records and/or enforce our rights and obligations. If you no longer want us to use your information to provide you services, you will need to take the appropriate steps to terminate your relationship with Ascensus and/or the applicable Ascensus Affiliated Company(ies) or Client that Ascensus acts as service provider or processor to. However, legal or other obligations may require us to retain your information even if you request that we delete it.

#### Collection of Information from Children

Ascensus does not knowingly collect or solicit any information from anyone under the age of 13 on the Sites. If we learn that we have inadvertently collected personal information from a child under age 13, we will promptly delete that information. If you believe that we might have any information from a child under 13, please contact us using the contact information listed below.

#### Changes to this Privacy Policy

In accordance with data privacy laws that are continuously being updated, Ascensus reviews and updates this Policy on a regular basis, but in no event less than once annually. In the event we materially change this Policy or our personal information-handling practices described in this Policy, we will notify you by email and/or through a notice on our Site(s) prior to the change being implemented.

#### Contacting Ascensus about this Privacy Policy

If you have any questions about this Policy, our information-handling practices, or other aspects of privacy at Ascensus, contact us at <u>Privacy@ascensus.com</u>; 200 Dryden Road, Dresher, PA 19025 (Attn: Compliance Department) or 844-981-1392.