IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

GREGORY FORSBERG, CHRISTOPHER GUNTER, SAMUEL KISSINGER, AND SCOTT SIPPRELL, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Case No.:

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Plaintiffs,

v.

SHOPIFY, INC., SHOPIFY HOLDINGS (USA), INC., SHOPIFY (USA) INC., AND TASKUS, INC.

Defendants.	

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

Individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, Plaintiffs Gregory Forsberg ("Mr. Forsberg"), Christopher Gunter ("Mr. Gunter"), Samuel Kissinger ("Mr. Kissinger), and Scott Sipprell ("Mr. Sipprell") (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), bring this action against Defendants Shopify, Inc., Shopify Holdings (USA), Inc., Shopify (USA) Inc. (collectively, "Shopify"), and TaskUs, Inc. ("TaskUs") (collectively, the "Defendants"). Plaintiffs' allegations are based upon personal knowledge as to themselves and their own acts, and upon information and belief as to all other matters based on the investigation conducted by and through Plaintiffs' attorneys. Plaintiffs believe that substantial additional evidentiary support for the allegations set forth herein exists and will be revealed after a reasonable opportunity for discovery.



I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. This is a class action for damages against TaskUs and Shopify for their failure to exercise reasonable care in securing and safeguarding consumer information in connection with a massive 2020 data breach impacting Ledger SAS ("Ledger") cryptocurrency hardware wallets ("Ledger Wallets"), resulting in the unauthorized public release of approximately 272,000 pieces of detailed personally identifiable information ("PII"), including Plaintiffs' and "Class" (defined below) members' full names, email addresses, postal addresses, and telephone numbers.
- 2. Ledger sells Ledger Wallets through its e-commerce website, which is run on Shopify's platform.
- 3. Ledger Wallets store the "private keys" of an individual's crypto-assets. These private keys are similar to bank account passwords in that access to the private keys allows an individual to transfer the assets out of a cryptocurrency account. Unlike a bank account transaction, however, cryptocurrency transactions are non-reversible—once assets are transferred out of a cryptocurrency account, they are able to be distributed or spent with little information about where they could have gone.
- 4. Ledger Wallets were marketed as providing owners of cryptocurrency with the best security for their cryptocurrency because they hold password information in a physical form and restrict transfer of crypto-assets in an individual's account unless the physical device is mounted to a computer and a twenty-four-word passphrase is entered.
- 5. Because of these features, Ledger's platform is built on marketing the utmost security and trust to its customers. Ledger and Shopify know that cryptocurrency transactions are publicly visible through a transaction's underlying blockchain, but cannot be traced back to their particular owner without more information. When hackers know the identity of a



cryptocurrency owner and know what platform that consumer is storing their crypto-assets on, the hacker can work backwards to create a targeted attack aimed at luring hardware wallet owners into mounting their hardware device to a computer and entering their passphrase, allowing unfettered access and transfer authority over their crypto-assets.

- 6. Accordingly, to the world of cybercriminals, Ledger's customer list, which was in the possession of Shopify at the time of the "Data Breach" (defined below), is extremely valuable. By accessing Ledger customer PII entrusted to Shopify, such as full names, email addresses, postal addresses, and telephone numbers, hackers can engineer targeted communications—known as phishing attacks—that compel users to unlock their cryptocurrency accounts and make untraceable, irreversible transfers of cryptocurrency into these criminals' accounts overseas and within the United States. The security of Ledger customers' PII is accordingly of the utmost importance. One instance of a customer mistakenly releasing their account information to hackers can lead to the loss of millions of dollars in cryptocurrency that will never be returned to their owner.
- 7. With their PII in hackers' hands, Plaintiffs and Class members are no longer in possession of a secure cryptocurrency portfolio.
- 8. Ledger and Shopify understand the seriousness of the misuse of customers' PII, and purport to address these issues. For example, Ledger advertises that it has "the highest security standards," and that it "continuously look[s] for vulnerabilities on Ledger products as well as [its] providers' products in an effort to analyze and improve the security," and that its products provide "the highest level of security for crypto assets." Shopify touts that it "work[s]

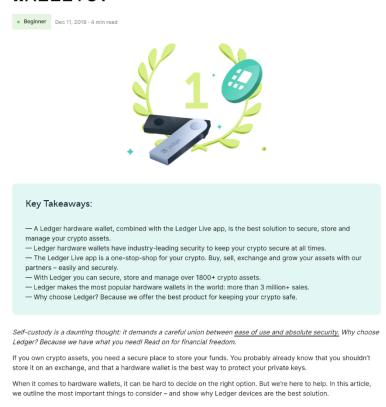
¹ *The Ledger Donjon*, LEDGER (Oct. 23, 2019), https://www.ledger.com/academy/security/the-ledger-donjon (last accessed Feb. 22, 2022).



tirelessly to protect your information, and to ensure the security and integrity of our platform."²

9. Ledger has built a reputation of maintaining the highest trust possible with its customers, including those related to consumer PII that the company shares with third parties

WHY CHOOSE LEDGER HARDWARE WALLETS?

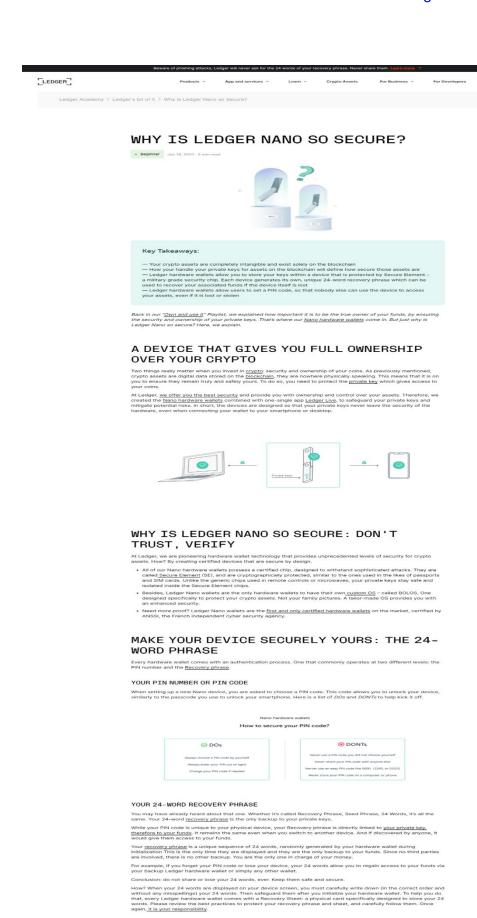


like Shopify. Below are true and correct screenshots of Ledger's advertising claims on its website, as well as the company's policies related to the information that it shares with third parties in the course of its business:

² Privacy Policy, Shopify (Jan. 10, 2022), https://www.shopify.com/legal/privacy#information-protection (last accessed Feb. 22, 2022).



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