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National Association of Tax Professionals partners with leading secure messaging, file sharing company

NATP and Verifyle partner to address growing threat of cyber security and hackers

APPLETON, Wis. (Sept. 20, 2023) – The National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP) is partnering with Verifyle, a leader in secure messaging, file sharing and digital signatures, to provide critical solutions to keep tax offices secure for the 2023 and 2024 filing season.

Tax preparers are a frequent target for cyber security hackers due to the nature and amount of data they have stored about their clients. Threats of this nature are only increasing as technology continues to advance.

"Taxpayers deserve to know their tax preparer is using appropriate tools when it comes to keeping their information and data secure," said NATP Executive Director Scott Artman, CPA, CGMA. "NATP's partnership with Verifyle allows our members to access critical services to keep their clients' most sensitive and personal information safe."

Unlike many other cloud-storage and cloud-sharing services, which use a single master key for encrypting and decrypting their users' data, Verifyle's Cellucrypt® technology uses password-derived keys on top of a public-key system to individually encrypt data elements, adding several additional layers of protection for their users. With the additional option to disable password reset, Verifyle becomes the most secure cloud-sharing platform available, while remaining extremely simple to use.

NATP members receive a discounted monthly subscription rate to Verifyle's services.

To speak with someone further about this partnership or the growing concerns about digital security in the tax industry, please contact <u>Samantha Strong</u> or <u>Nancy Kasten</u>

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About NATP: The National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP) is the largest association dedicated to equipping tax professionals with the resources, connections and education they need to provide the highest level of service to their clients. 23,000 members rely on NATP to deliver professional connections, content expertise and advocacy that provides them with the



support they need to best serve their clients. The NATP headquarters is in Appleton, Wis. To learn more, visit www.natptax.com.

Looking for a tax expert? Tom O'Saben, EA, director of tax content and government relations at the National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP), is available for phone or video interviews to discuss federal tax topics including tax law change and its implications, taxpayer issues, tax preparer regulation and more. To schedule an interview with O'Saben, contact sstrong@natptax.com or nkasten@natptax.com.

About Verifyle: Verifyle delivers ultra-secure messaging, document sharing and digital signatures, all from a simple, single-screen interface. <u>Verifyle</u> was built from the ground up to be the most secure cloud-sharing solution, and to deliver improved productivity and control of information to its users. Verifyle's industry-leading, patented encryption technology gives users the highest level of security, protecting them from bulk-access vulnerability through the unique encryption of each document and thread.