

Not Just for Hackers Anymore? Use of The Computer Fraud and Abuse Act to Respond to Theft of Confidential Information by Employees

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12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Robert S. Gerber, Esq. of Sheppard Mullin and Michael Bandemer of LECG will lead the discussion.

Attendance is free. Lunch will be provided. Space is limited.

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A disgruntled departing employee can access computer infrastructure and copy or erase valuable files, resulting in devastating financial losses and significant disruption to a company's overall operations. In some jurisdictions, the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act (the "CFAA") may provide a remedy for these problems. Originally enacted as a criminal statute, the CFAA was intended to protect government computers from attacks by "outside" computer hackers. Having been amended several times, the CFAA now offers civil plaintiffs an array of remedies as well as an entrée to federal court. A split of authority has developed, however, regarding the CFAA's applicability to employee computer abuse and regarding its application to cases regarding the theft of data and information. Join us as we discuss the CFAA and its applicability to trade secrets cases. *This activity complies with standards for Minimum Continuing Legal Education prescribed by the California State Bar and is approved for 1.5 hours of MCLE credit. Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP is a State Bar of California approved MCLE provider.*

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