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Leveraging Knowledge to Manage Your Data Risks

CYBERSECURITY

[235 Million Twitter User Email Addresses Posted on Hacking Forum](#)

Israeli cybersecurity firm Hudson Rock [has reported](#) that the email addresses of more than 235 million Twitter users have been stolen and posted by more than one hacker on an online hacking forum. According to the security researcher's Twitter posts, the compromise "is real and has an impact on almost every Twitter user. The database is likely circulating pretty heavily and will unfortunately likely leak in the near future." [Read more](#)

ENFORCEMENT + LITIGATION

[Court Rules Apple's Face-ID Does Not Violate BIPA](#)

An Illinois appellate court has ruled that Apple's biometric unlock features, including Touch ID fingerprint scanning and Face ID facial geometry scanning, do not violate the state's Biometric Information Privacy Act (BIPA). The case involved a group of Illinois residents who alleged that Apple's Face ID feature impermissibly collects facial geometries from pictures stored in the Photo app on Apple devices. The plaintiff class claimed that Apple violated BIPA by collecting, possessing, and profiting from biometric information without the knowledge or consent of users. According to the complaint, Apple didn't have an established retention policy for biometric data and failed to obtain written permission to collect the information. [Read more](#)

DATA PRIVACY

[California Businesses Start 2023 with CPRA Requirements Without Official Regulations](#)

Readers of this blog know that we've been [closely following](#) the California Privacy Rights Act (CPRA) rulemaking process. California passed the law in 2020 to update the California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018 with additional consumer rights and business obligations. The CPRA also established a new government agency, the California Privacy Protection Agency (CPPA), responsible for enforcing the law and drafting regulations. [Read more](#)

NEW + NOW

[University of Texas at Austin Permanently Blocks TikTok on Network](#)

On Tuesday, January 17, 2023, the University of Texas at Austin announced that it has blocked TikTok access across the university's networks. According to the announcement to its users, "You are no longer able to access TikTok on any device if you are connected to the university via its wired or WIFI networks." [Read more](#)

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[Scammers Use Weather Emergencies Against Victims](#)

Whether you have been the victim of a weather disaster or you want to assist those who have been, scammers might try to take your money or personal information after a weather emergency. Heed the FTC's warning and protect yourself against weather-related scams in this week's Privacy Tip. [Read more](#)

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