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Legal Ethics & E-mail Security

Outline

1. Introduction/Announcements
2. Pre-Test
3. Overview of the applicable Rules of Professional Conduct
4. Email – can lawyers use it without violating the rules?
5. Email – must lawyers encrypt?
6. “Soft” Security Issues - cc, bcc, and reply-all.
7. “Soft” Security Issue - disable autocomplete?
8. “Soft” Security Issue - passwords
9. Social hacking & security
10. AI, Bots, and Gmail
11. Web bugs
12. Pandemic, Security & Working Remotely

Resources

- [VBA Advisory Opinion 97-05](#)
- [ABA Formal Opinion 477](#)
- Ethical risks associated with [bcc & reply-all](#).
- Is there a duty to [encrypt email](#)?
- Is there a duty to [disable autocomplete](#).
- Don't let the [web bugs](#) bite!
- [PBA Advisory Opinion 2020-300](#)
- [Vermont Rules of Professional Conduct](#)