

# Privacy and Security Bits and Bytes

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Our Friday afternoon feature is back (albeit on Thursday due to schedule tomorrow) – a quick round-up of bits and bytes related to data privacy and security.

[Don't Ignore New Massachusetts Data Privacy Regs](#) – a piece by Lora Bentley from ITBusinessEdge (for which the editor of this blog was interviewed)

Your smart phone may soon be smarter than you'd like it to be: researchers in Japan have produced a mobile phone that can track movements of the user and beam the information back to an employer (or anyone else who wants it)....[BBC News - Mobile that allows bosses to snoop on staff developed](#)

Something else to consider when undertaking those risk assessments to determine where personal information is – and what you need to control when it leaves. Have you thought about what is stored on the hard drive of your copy machine?? This piece from Boston TV station WBZ is eyepopping -- [Copy Machines Can Store Your Private Info - wbztv.com](#)

[Wired](#) reported this week that the U.S. Supreme Court will take on another “informational privacy” case that could have far-reaching impact. This makes the second privacy case that the Supremes will be hearing in this term.

And, what you say at a privacy/security conference isn't necessarily “private” or “secure” and could get you fired. Computerworld's article -- [Pennsylvania fires CISO over RSA talk](#) – says that the former PA CISO spoke at an RSA security panel last Thursday – and is no longer working for the Commonwealth.

Enjoy the weekend -

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