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Election Day: Five Security Experts Conclude that Georgia's Online Voter Database is Easily Hackable

According to reports by *WhoWhatWhy* and the Associated Press, five security experts have confirmed a private citizen's allegation that the Georgia Online Voter Database contains a major security flaw and is vulnerable to hackers. According to one of the experts from the University of Michigan, anyone with access to an individual voter's personal information could alter that voter's information in the database. Another commented that the problem is easily detectable, and that it was clear that the system "has never been audited by any computer security professional." *Read more*

ENFORCEMENT + LITIGATION

New Jersey AG Announces \$200,000 Settlement with Business Associate and Permanent Ban for Its Owner

On November 2, 2018, the New Jersey Attorney General (NJAG) announced a settlement worth up to \$200,000 with a former medical transcription company responsible for a breach affecting the medical records of up to 1,654 patients of a New Jersey physician network for which the company acted as a business associate. Read more

DATA BREACH

Radisson Loyalty Program Compromised

Radisson Hotel Group has notified some of its global loyalty program customers that hackers have stolen their personal information, including their names, addresses, email addresses, and, in some cases, their employers' name and telephone number, rewards member number, and frequent flyer numbers. *Read more*

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Test Your Employees with Internal Phishing Campaigns

Phishing campaigns continue to be one of the most successful ways for malicious intruders to access company information, including personal information of employees and customers. Phishing emails continue to get more and more sophisticated and employees continue to fall victim to them, often putting the entire company at risk. Typical successful phishing campaigns end with the access and exfiltration of personal information that requires the company to notify individuals and regulatory authorities; or with the payment of ransomware; or a tremendous effort to activate the back-up system. None of these options is a good one for the company. <u>Read more</u>

DRONES

Drones in Kenya: Saving Money for Taxpayers

Power China was hired to complete the construction of about 265 miles of power line within seven months in Kenya after a Spanish utility company, which began the work, went bankrupt. Given the timeframe, this was a rather large undertaking for Power China. That's where the use of unmanned aerial systems (UAS or drones) came in. Power China used drones to mount 400-kilovolt power lines on pylons. *Read more*

PRIVACY TIP #164

<u>Identity Thieves Using USPS Informed Delivery to Open</u> Fraudulent Credit Card Accounts

The United State Postal Service (USPS) has launched a program called "Informed Delivery," with the goal to assist consumers in protecting themselves from identity theft. The program lets consumers register an account on usps.gov, which allows one to view scanned images of all of their incoming mail for free. Read more

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