

# Data Privacy + Cybersecurity Insider

## Leveraging Knowledge to Manage Your Data Risks

### CYBERSECURITY

#### [DOJ Takes Down RaidForums' Website](#)

In an action against what has been described as one of the largest hacker forums in the world, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) announced on April 12, 2022, that it has taken down RaidForums' website and arrested its founder/administrator. According to the DOJ, the domains seized were "Raidforums.com," "Rf.ws," and "Raid.lol." [Read more](#)

### DATA PRIVACY

#### [Last Week Tonight Host Pokes at Congress Over Data Brokering Regulation](#)

John Oliver, comedian and host of HBO's *Last Week Tonight*, called on Congress to issue broad data privacy legislation by making it elegantly personal – he bought their data. Following a 25-minute segment on the ubiquity of third-party trackers and data brokering, the late night host revealed that his staff had created an advertiser's profile targeting "men aged 45 and up" in the Capitol Hill area who had previously visited sites and made searches regarding "divorce, massage, hair loss, and midlife crisis." They ran a series of ads with embarrassing titles, including "Marriage Shouldn't Be A Prison," "Can You Vote Twice?," and (to the studio audience's delight) "Do You Want To Read Ted Cruz Erotic Fan Fiction?" [Read more](#)

#### [Virginia Amends New Privacy Law](#)

Governor Glenn Youngkin of Virginia recently approved legislation to amend the Virginia Consumer Data Protection Act (VCDPA). In a time when data privacy bills creep through state legislatures only to die in committee, Virginia has not only passed a privacy law, but has also now amended that law. Three bills were recently signed by the Governor to amend the VCDPA. The first, [H 381](#), adds an exemption to the right to delete. Specifically, the new language states that data controllers that have obtained personal data about a consumer from a source other than the consumer shall be deemed in compliance with a consumer's request to delete such data by either: (1) retaining a record of the deletion request and the minimum data necessary for the purpose of ensuring the consumer's personal data remain deleted from the business's records and not using such retained data for any other purpose; or (2) opting the consumer out of the processing of such personal data for any purpose except for those exempted pursuant to the VCDPA. [Read more](#)

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## [FTC Chair Signals Crackdown on Confusing Privacy Policies](#)

At the International Association of Privacy Professionals Global Privacy Summit earlier this week, Federal Trade Commission Chair Lina Khan rounded out her first year on the job by calling out “overwhelming” consumer privacy policies. While nearly every company online must post a privacy policy, many of these policies are written in dense legal jargon that the average consumer either can’t understand or read all the way through.

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## NEW + NOW

### [Patch Tuesday Release Includes Fix for Actively-Exploited Flaw](#)

Microsoft [released](#) its monthly patches this week to fix 128 vulnerabilities, including 10 rated as critical, 115 as important, and three flagged as moderately severe. One of the vulnerabilities (CVE-2022-24521 Windows Common Log File System Driver Elevations of Privilege) is being actively exploited by APT (Advanced Persistent Threat) groups according to the National Security Agency, so addressing this flaw is a priority for organizations.

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## DRONES

### [U.S. Navy Tests Unmanned Aerial Vehicles at Sea](#)

The U.S. Navy will begin testing logistics drones on an aircraft carrier to see if the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) is practical in this environment. These drones are capable of carrying up to a 50-pound payload and can fly about 200 miles. This testing is in response to the needs of the Military Sealift Command (which controls the replenishment of the Navy’s military transport ships) and the Naval Air Forces Atlantic fleet for a faster means of sending critical parts to warships at sea. The testing will be conducted by the Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division and will include up to four UAVs in operation for the testing. [Read more](#)

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## PRIVACY TIP #327

### [Scammers Spoof Cell Phone Numbers](#)

Scammers use familiarity to get victims to fall for their scams. One way to do that is to spoof a cell phone number from the same area code to make the targeted person think that the person calling or texting them is someone they know. This week’s Privacy Tip reviews some recent FTC tips. [Read more](#)

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