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# Ted Augustinos Quoted by Connecticut Law Tribune on Law Firm Cybersecurity Risks in Remote Work Environment

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Hartford Office Managing Partner **Ted Augustinos**, a member of the steering committee of Locke Lord's Privacy and Cybersecurity Practice Group, was quoted in a Connecticut Law Tribune article focusing on new and increased risks to law firm cybersecurity because of remote working during the COVID-19 pandemic. Augustinos noted attacks can come from anywhere from the world and the perpetrators are often capable, malicious government actors using very sophisticated tools.

"Extorters are looking for money. The opening bid for information is often over \$1 million. Many law firms now are more inclined to pay because you need to do everything you can to protect client data," Augustinos said.

He also outlined best practices for law firms to prepare for and respond to a threat.

"The No. 1 tip to a law firm is training and raising awareness," he said. "Always look for, and be aware of, the unexpected. Take a second to look at things like emails a second and third time. Instructions in emails could be from an impostor."

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