

**The Institute of Continuing Legal Education:
Hot Issues in Privacy Law**

***Computer Forensics: What Are You Really Sharing?
or Barbarians At and Within the Gates***

FRANKLIN, Mich. – November 30, 2007 – Stott Matthews, founder of Spectrum Computer Forensics & Risk Management LLC, a leading provider in digital-discovery and computer-forensic services, co-presented at the Ann Arbor ICLE. Together with Claudia Rast of Pear, Sperling, Eggan & Daniels, lead presenter, and Carol Romej of Butzel Long, Matthews portion of the morning's presentation focused on the ubiquitous nature of critical information in today's organizations and the challenges to protecting it from loss.

"Whether your company is a service-based provider or manufacturer, a fast-growing for-profit entity or charitable organization, the issues are similar and condense to one point: information, digital information more precisely, forms the basis for your operations and ultimately your success as an organization." said Matthews.

"This digital information may be client lists, the Coke secret formula, coding for a software application, proprietary software for running machines, or employee information. It may be investment data for your clients, your hospital's patient information, credit card data, or your list of high-dollar donors." added Matthews.

The presentation also dealt with the means to best protect an organization's data, once it has determined what data is in fact sensitive and mission critical. This included a discussion on both internal and external threats to data as well as the use of various types of encryption to protect it.

"As with most types of protection, applying a multi-tiered approach to protecting sensitive data will afford the most robust results. Because each entity will have different drivers for what must be protected, its physical location, the hardware on which it resides, and its intended use, there is no single template for meeting this objective. By reviewing the common issues identified in the day's presentation within the context of your organization, you will help limit the potential loss of your important digital assets." concluded Matthews.

About Spectrum Computer Forensics & Risk Management

Spectrum is a leader in providing digital-discovery and computer-forensics services, and the risk-mitigation strategies that surround these practice areas. Law firms and corporations rely on Spectrum for the most challenging e-discovery work involving employment, trade secret, intellectual property, and other litigation-related matters. Founder and Principal, J. Stott Matthews, is certified in computer forensics. Together with his experience as a Fortune 10 executive, Matthews' expertise bridges the critical gap between technology, business, and the law. Spectrum has offices in Michigan and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.