

Steve Puiszis Cited in ABA Formal Opinion 483 on the Ethical Responsibility of Lawyers Following a Cyberattack

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The American Bar Association's (ABA) Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility recently published Formal Opinion 483 titled "Lawyers' Obligations After an Electronic Data Breach or Cyberattack." The opinion considers the ethical responsibilities of an attorney after a data breach that exposed client information. It specifically addresses breaches involving information related to the representation of a client.

As part of their recommendations on how to respond when a breach is suspected or detected, the opinion quoted an excerpt from "Prevention and Response: A Two-Pronged Approach to Cyber Security and Incident Response Planning," authored by Hinshaw partner Steve Puiszis. That article outlines why it is critical for a law firm to have a cyber security plan in place.

[Download "Prevention and Response: A Two-Pronged Approach to Cyber Security and Incident Response Planning" \(PDF\)](#)

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