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Cyber Storms on Horizon: More Hackers, Regulators, and Litigation

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Cybersecurity's escalating threats, intensifying oversight, and expanding publicity in recent years exploded in 2013. It was a year bookended by President Obama's cybersecurity warnings in his State of the Union message and the mega-breaches at Target and Neiman-Marcus. And it gave us a cyber panorama – the Cybersecurity Executive Order; industry security reports of massive cyber looting of U.S. intellectual property and technology; the Iranian cyber attacks on U.S. banks; the Snowden breach of national security secrets; the proliferation of cybersecurity standards governing everything from private- and public-sector contracts to cloud computing; and the intensified scrutiny of federal agencies (including the SEC, FTC, and HHS) on security vulnerabilities and breaches. In our recent report, "**Data Law Trends & Developments: E-Discovery, Privacy, Cybersecurity & Information Governance**", on page 6, we write about recent trends and developments in cybersecurity, and how the kaleidoscope of cyber events foretells even rougher weather for both the public and private sectors.

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