Identity Theft Resources

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In a previous column, I discussed the resources at the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS, http://www.ncjrs.org). In their most recent catalog, the NCJRS pointed to some valuable new resources about identity theft that readers can use in their security newsletters (see my recent article “Bringing Security Home” to understand why I recommend including information personally useful to employees in corporate security newsletters). Their pointers led me to additional links from which I have compiled the following short list.

* Beth Givens of the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse gave a succinct summary of identity theft to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information chaired by Senator Jon Kyl in July 2000; it is packed with information and resources.

* There’s a helpful fact-sheet called “IDENTITY THEFT: Reduce Your Risk” prepared “by American Express in cooperation with the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse and the Identity Theft Resource Center” and “with the assistance of the Federal Trade Commission.”

* For the many unfortunate victims of this rapidly-growing crime, the document “Identity Theft: What to Do if It Happens to You,” which is a joint publication of the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse and CALPIRG, has emergency actions listed clearly. This helpful guide was revised in July 2003.

* The US Department of Justice has a section on ID theft at <http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/fraud/idtheft.html>.


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For further reading:


<http://www.privacyrights.org/ar/id_theft.htm>

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MSIA: 18-month online Master of Science in Information Assurance offered by Norwich University; see <http://www3.norwich.edu/msia> for full details.

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