

California Contemplates Passage of State Net Neutrality Bill

With the impending repeal of net neutrality at the federal level, California is currently considering the passage of a net neutrality bill to restore net neutrality at the statewide level. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog discusses the proposed bill at the following blogpost:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/california-to-consider-bill-that-restores-net-neutrality/>

European Court to Hear Challenge to Privacy Shield: Will the Framework Survive Court Review?

If your software company has pursued Privacy Shield certification and is relying on the certification to comply with EU data privacy regulations, then you will be interested to know that a challenge to the framework is to be heard by a European High Court. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog has addressed this development and what it may mean for the Privacy Shield framework in the following blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/irish-court-has-referred-case-to-european-court-which-challenges-privacy-shield->

will-the-eu-u-s-privacy-shield-framework-withstand-scrutiny-by-the-european-high-court/

What Software Companies Need to Know about the GDPR

The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR") will go into effect on May 25, 2018. In case you are not up to speed on the law already, what do you need to know about it before it goes into effect? The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog addressed the highlights of the regulation in the following blogpost

:<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/what-software-companies-need-to-know-about-the-eu-general-data-protection-regulation/>

BiPartisan Bill Introduced in Senate that Seeks to Prevent Attacks on American Cyber-Networks

The "Protecting Our Ability to Counter Hacking Act of 2017" or "PATCH Act of 2017" has just been introduced in the Senate. For more background on the bill, please check out

this Silicon Valley Software Law Blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/bipartisan-bill-introduced-in-senate-that-seeks-to-prevent-attacks-of-american-cyber-networks/>

Google Settles with FTC over In-App Purchases Made by Children

The Federal Trade Commission has announced that Google has agreed to refund customers' unauthorized in-app purchases made by their children in the Google Play Store, as the Silicon Valley Software Law Blog discussed in its recent blog posting attached below:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/ftc-settlement-with-google-to-require-refund-of-unauthorized-in-app-charges>

PayPal Advises E-Book Sellers to Remove Certain Content

PayPal has advised e-book sellers that they must remove all erotica content off their websites. The Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog discussed the PayPal decision and the controversy that resulted in the following blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/paypal-launches-new-internet-controversy-over-decision-to-censor-erotica-content-sold-through-platform/>

Web-Based Companies Evaluate the OPEN Act Proposed as an Alternative to SOPA

Is the Online Protection and Enforcement of the Digital Trade Act ("OPEN") a better alternative to SOPA? The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog explored this question in the blog post linked below:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/is-the-open-act-a-more-viable-alternative-to-sopa>

Silicon Valley Prepares for the SOPA Blackout Day Observance

Silicon Valley is preparing for the observance of SOPA Blackout Day, in which websites are to go black for at least twelve hours, as the Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog explains in the following blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/silicon-valley-sopa>

Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz Speaks on Blog Law Developments

Internet Lawyer Ms. Kristie Prinz will be speaking on “Blog Law Developments” for the Sunnyvale-Cupertino Bar Association at Holder’s Country Inn in Cupertino on October 10, 2011. To register to attend the program, **click here**.

Blogosphere Reacts to Kindle Publishing for Blogs Licensing Terms

Amazon has published licensing terms for Kindle blog publishing, which terms have drawn some criticism in the blogosphere, as the Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog explains in the following blog post link below:

<http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/blogosphere-reacts-to-licensing-terms-for-amazons-new-kindle-publishing-for-blogs/>

Copyright Infringement on the Web No Longer Limited to the Entertainment Industry

Have you run searches lately on the Internet to verify that none of your company's works have been infringed? If you were to run such a search, you are likely to find infringement on the Internet, according to this blog posting by the Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog linked below:

<http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/copyright-infringement-on-the-internet-problem-is-no-longer-confined-to-entertainment-industry/>.

Facebook Adopts Townhall Format to Allow Users to Comment and Vote on New Statement of Rights and Responsibilities

Facebook has decided to obtain user input on the terms and conditions comprising its new statement of rights and responsibilities, as the Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog reported in the following blog post:

[http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/facebook-adopts-tow
nhall-format-to-allow-users-to-comment-and-vote-on-new-
statement-of-rights-and-responsibilities/](http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/facebook-adopts-tow
nhall-format-to-allow-users-to-comment-and-vote-on-new-
statement-of-rights-and-responsibilities/)

Facebook Reverses Decision and Announces Temporary Return to Prior Terms and Conditions

Facebook has reversed its unpopular decision to change its content licensing policy and other terms and conditions in response to pressure from users and commentators on the Internet, as the Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog explained in the following blog post:

[http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/facebook-reverses-d
ecision-and-announces-temporary-return-to-prior-terms-and-
conditions/](http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/facebook-reverses-d
ecision-and-announces-temporary-return-to-prior-terms-and-
conditions/)

Facebook Licensing Controversy Prompts Public to Take Closer Look at Social

Networking Site Terms and Conditions

Facebook set off a controversy by amending its terms and conditions to permit broad commercialization of content on its website. The Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog explored this controversy and the amended licensing terms in the following blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/facebook-licensing-controversy-prompts-public-to-take-closer-look-at-social-networking-site-terms-and-conditions/>

Should the Blogosphere Adopt the Creative Commons Licensing Model?

The Silicon Valley IP Licensing Law Blog explored the question of whether the blogosphere should adopt the creative commons licensing model in the following blog post link:

<http://www.siliconvalleyiplicensinglaw.com/should-the-blogosphere-adopt-the-creative-commons-licensing-model/>

Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz Speaks on Employee Blogs and Websites: Protect Yourself Against the Business and Legal Risks When Workers Go Online

Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz will be presenting on Employee Blog and Websites for American Features Syndicate Teleconference on August 1, 2008, 10:30-12:00 a.m. PST.

To view a recording of the presentation in The Prinz Law Store, [click here](#).

Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz to Present on Employee Blogs and Websites: Protect Yourself Against the Business and

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Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz will be speaking on Employee Blogs and Websites in a presentation hosted by the American Features Syndicate on July 15, 2008 between 10:30-12:00 a.m. PST.

To view a recording of the presentation in The Prinz Law Store, [click here](#).

Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz Speaks on Hottest Topics in Cyberspace—Verizon v. Vonage and Sprint v. Vonage: A Tale of Two Patent Infringement Cases and Their Impact on the VoIP Industry

Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz will speak at the State Bar of California Annual Meeting in Anaheim on September 29, 2007.

Please [click here](#) to view the Powerpoint presentation.

Telecommunications and Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz to Participate in Panel on Ethical Issues in Deployment of VoIP Systems: Client Record Gathering and Voice & Data Storage

Telecommunications and Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz will be participating in panel at the ABA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, on August 11, 2007.

For more details about the event, please [click here](#).

Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz to Speak on Recent Developments in Blog Law

Silicon Valley Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz will be speaking on Recent Developments in Blog Law on June 14, 2007 at the Silicon Valley Capital Club.

State Bar of California, Business Section Cyberspace Committee. Please click [here](#) to view the Powerpoint presentation.

Silicon Valley Internet Attorney Kristie Prinz to Speak on Hottest Topics in Cyberspace: Cyberinsurance, Blogs, and On-Line Advertising

Silicon Valley Internet Attorney Kristie Prinz to Speak on Hottest Topics in Cyberspace on January 20, 2007 at the Section Education Institute, State Bar of California, Claremont Resort and Spa, Berkeley, CA. Please click [here](#) for details. Please click [here](#) to view the PowerPoint presentation.

Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz to Speak on What You Need to

Know about CAN-SPAM

Internet Lawyer Kristie Prinz will be speaking on a panel presentation on “What You Need to Know About CAN-SPAM” on June 8, 2004 at Pillsbury Winthrop LLP. The event is a brown bag lunch co-sponsored by the Santa Clara County Bar Association and California State Bar Business Section Cyberspace Law Committee.