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Plagued By Unsolicited Faxes?

(This article was in Bowles & Hayes Legal News Update and we felt it was important enough to pass on to you.)

Since late 1991, it has been against a federal law, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, to send advertisements to fax machines on an unsolicited basis. Period.

Administered by the Federal Communications Commission(FCC), this Act regulates all telemarketing activities, including calls using an autodialer, as well as fax transmissions.

The FCC will ask two questions in determining if a business is in violation of the fax prohibition.

First, was the fax an advertisement, offering goods or services for sale or soliciting the payment of money for commercial purposes? If the answer is no, then the fax does not fall under the prohibition and is allowed.

Second, if the fax was such an ad, was the fax unsolicited? If the sender has an established business relationship with the recipient of the fax, then the fax transmission is not prohibited. If there is no prior relationship, or the recipient has not expressly requested that the information be faxed to him/her, then the fax is prohibited by law.

This is an absolute prohibition. There are no "free bites of the apple." People who receive such unsolicited faxes may bring an action in state court to recover the amount of the actual monetary loss they suffered from the intrusion (whether intentional or unintentional) or \$500 per violation, whichever is greater. A barrier to communication? Yes, but if not heeded, a business can never know when a recipient may take offense, leading to a potentially expensive problem.



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The HP SureStore 6020i features 2 speed write and 6 speed read. It comes with all the software you need to get up and running creating your own CDs. Each CD has 650 megabytes of storage and has up to 100 year shelf-life. One recordable CD is included with the CD Writer.

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Tips & Tricks

Windows 95: Doing a Print Screen is easy in Windows95. Follow these instructions to do so:

1. Hit the Print Screen Button and click on the Start button.
2. Open Paint Usually located in: Program Files/Accessories.
3. When the Paint program comes up, click on Edit then Paste
4. Go to File, Page Setup and the Paper Size tab and click Landscape.
5. Go to File, Print command and click OK.

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Are you on the 'Net?

Today, having a web site is as expected as having a business card, but a web site tells so much more about your company. Business associates are asking more and more "what's your internet address?" Unfortunate, but becoming truer every day. We want to make it possible for you to have an answer to that question. If you are interested in putting your business on the Internet, but don't want to incur the expense that it can cost, we can offer you a Web Page to advertise your business very inexpensively. We can design your web page for you, or if you like, you can design it yourself.

Your World Wide Web address would be: <http://www.csuinc.net/yourname>. Also included is a link from our home page to yours; another way for others to find you. Call us if you would like more information on this service.

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