

Safeguard Your Company's Trade Secrets and Proprietary Information

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Intellectual property (IP) thefts and Economic Espionage cost U.S. companies in excess of a trillion dollars annually. In addition to lost revenue, IP theft often causes legal issues, employment problems, damage to a company's reputation, lost investment in research and development and delays in production.

FBI officials recently announced a nationwide campaign geared toward educating business and industry leaders about the growing threat—and mounting losses—of economic espionage. As part of the campaign, the FBI released a short video, *The Company Man: Protecting America's Secrets*. The video, created by the FBI in collaboration with the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, is based on an actual case involving the attempted theft of trade secrets from a United States company by a foreign competitor.

Has your company put in place an IP protection program? What are the reasonable steps your company should take to protect its IP assets from theft? Are you protecting your research, technical plans, prototypes, proprietary formulas, software source codes, manufacturing plans, and customer data? Even if you do not do business internationally, IP theft can be a serious threat

Join attorneys from the Boston office of Jackson Lewis and FBI Special Agent Carmine Nigro for a screening of *The Company Man* and a discussion of best practices to avoid theft domestically and internationally. This breakfast seminar is co-hosted by Jackson Lewis and Pinkerton Consulting and Investigations, an international leader in operational risk management services and security.

About the Speakers and Hosts

Special Agent (SA) Carmine Nigro has been employed with the FBI for over 27 years. He entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent in December 1987. He was assigned to Houston, New York, Rome, Italy, and Washington D.C., prior to his transfer to Boston. In May 2000, SA Nigro was transferred to the FBI Boston Division and supervised a Special Operations Group until 2004. In April 2004, he was designated supervisor of the Field Intelligence Group. In February 2008, SA Nigro was selected as the Counterintelligence (CI) Strategic Partnership Coordinator for the FBI Boston Office. He has been in the current coordinator position for over 7 years.

Erik J. Winton, a Shareholder at Jackson Lewis P.C., focuses on restrictive covenant drafting, counseling, litigation avoidance and litigation. Mr. Winton has extensive experience as a litigator, including successful first chair jury trial experience. He represents employers in federal and state courts and administrative agencies in matters involving discrimination claims based on race, sex, sexual preference, national origin, and disability; retaliation, whistle blowing, wage/hour claims and Department of Labor complaints; allegations of wrongful discharge and breach of contract under the common law; and claims for tortious injury, such as defamation, infliction of emotional distress and interference with advantageous relations. Mr. Winton has prevailed on the vast majority of dispositive motions filed on his clients' behalf, including several reported cases.

John J. Commisso, Of Counsel at Jackson Lewis P.C., has vast experience representing clients in a broad range of government investigations, white collar criminal proceedings, internal corporate investigations, and complex business litigation in state and federal courts. Mr. Commisso has advised clients in

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connection with government enforcement actions and investigations initiated by state and federal agencies, including the U.S. Attorney's Office, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. Department of Customs and Border Protection, and the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. Additionally, Mr. Commisso has represented numerous clients in complex civil litigation. He has experience in matters involving misappropriation of trade secrets, the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act, and complex business disputes among owners of closely held corporations.

Larry Curran is Senior Consultant - Investigative Counsel at Pinkerton Consulting & Investigations. Mr. Curran's investigative projects have included a successful investigation into purchasing corruption at Boston University, the successful prosecution of the nation's largest economic arson conspiracy case with the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, and a number of computer and other industry investigations resulting in the recovery of millions of dollars of client product. He has also managed a large number of executive protection and workplace violence related inquiries, and is an expert with respect to IRS required executive protection consultations. Mr. Curran has also provided arson and fraud investigative services to the insurance industry, and directed product-counterfeiting investigations on behalf of numerous clients in conjunction with the U.S. Marshal's Service and the Federal District Court.

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