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Butzel Long attorney Claudia Rast interviewed by Law360 on vendors as data security soft spots for law firms

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How Vendors Are Data Security Soft Spots For Law Firms

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A recent data breach at a BigLaw firm underscores the need for legal professionals to consider the potential cybersecurity risks associated with third-party vendors.

An internal memo obtained by Law360 on Tuesday from Goodwin Procter LLP managing partner Mark Bettencourt revealed that a small percentage of clients had confidential information exposed as part of a security breach with an unspecified file transfer vendor on Jan. 20.

Goodwin has declined two requests to comment this week.

Claudia Rast, Butzel Long PC's cybersecurity group leader and co-chair of the American Bar Association's cybersecurity legal task force, told Law360 Pulse that firms have to rely on their vendors' data security, which is risky.

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