

Twitter Debate

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Two sides to a debate over what to do with documents stolen from Twitter.

The [first post](#) makes a pretty obvious point: Stealing is stealing. And anyone using documents they know are stolen is treading on some pretty thin ice.

The [second post](#) doesn't completely disagree, but wonders if Twitter is possibly crying foul a bit too much, given how frequently Twitter has been used to leak confidential information.

It is an accurate truism that many rules don't change in a digital world. A hacker who steals electronic records is every bit as much a thief as the cat burglar. The fact that the theft is accomplished with mouse clicks rather than by physically breaking and entering doesn't change the analysis.