

Information Asset Protection Council Links

[Business Software Alliance](#) (BSA) is dedicated to promoting a safe and legal digital world. BSA is the voice of the world's commercial software industry and its hardware partners before governments and in the international marketplace. BSA educates consumers on software management and copyright protection, cyber security, trade, e-commerce and other Internet-related issues.

[Central Intelligence Agency](#) (CIA) collects, evaluates, and disseminates vital information on political, military, economic, scientific, and other developments abroad needed to safeguard national security.

[Defense Intelligence Agency](#) (DIA) was established in 1961. Its mission is to provide timely, objective, and cogent military intelligence to warfighters, force planners, and defense and national security policymakers. DIA obtains and reports information through its field sites worldwide and the Defense Attaché System.

[Federation of American Scientists](#) (FAS) was formed in 1945 by atomic scientists from the Manhattan Project. Endorsed by nearly 60 Nobel Laureates in biology, chemistry, economics, medicine and physics as sponsors, the Federation has addressed a broad spectrum of national security issues of the nuclear age in carrying out its mission to promote humanitarian uses of science and technology. Today, the FAS continues its research and education projects in nuclear arms control and global security; conventional arms transfers; proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; information technology for human health; and government information policy.

[Intellectual Property Law: The Trade Secrets Home Page](#) is hosted by R. Mark Halligan, Esq., a principal in the Chicago intellectual property law firm of Welsh & Katz. The website contains case law and numerous articles relating to trade secrets and their protection.

[International Association for Cryptographic Research](#) (IACR) is a non-profit scientific organization whose purpose is to further research in cryptology and related fields.

[International Intellectual Property Alliance](#) (IIPA) is a private sector coalition formed in 1984 to represent the U.S. copyright-based industries in bilateral and multilateral efforts to improve international protection of copyrighted materials. IIPA is comprised of seven trade associations, each representing a significant segment of the U.S. copyright community.

[National Association for Information Destruction](#) (NAID) is the international trade association for companies providing information destruction services. Suppliers of products, equipment and services to destruction companies are also eligible for membership. NAID's mission is to promote the information destruction industry and the standards and ethics of its member companies.

[National Classification Management Society, Inc.](#) (NCMS) is an international society of security professionals, representing both government and industry, whose purpose is to advance the profession of Security Classification Management & Information Security; foster the highest qualities of professional excellence among its members; and to provide a forum for the free exchange of ideas and information on the methods, practices, and procedures for managing security classification programs and related information security programs.

[National Counterintelligence Executive](#) (NCIX) is appointed by the President to serve as head of national counterintelligence for the United States Government. The mission of the NCIX is to improve the performance of the counterintelligence (CI) community in identifying, assessing, prioritizing and countering intelligence threats to the United States; to ensure CI community efficiency and effectiveness, and to provide for the integration of the CI activities of the U.S. Government.

[National Military Intelligence Association](#) (NMIA) was established in 1974 as an organization to provide intelligence professionals in the Military Services, Intelligence Agencies, Offices of the United States Government, Congress, industry, and academia with a professional forum to share and exchange ideas for their individual professional enhancement and the good of the entire Intelligence Community.

[National Reconnaissance Office](#) (NRO) designs, builds and operates the nation's reconnaissance satellites. NRO products, provided to an expanding list of customers like the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and the Department of Defense (DoD), can warn of potential trouble spots around the world, help plan military operations, and monitor the environment. As part of the 15-member Intelligence Community, the NRO plays a primary role in achieving information superiority for the U. S. Government and Armed Forces. A DoD agency, the NRO is staffed by DoD and CIA personnel. It is funded through the National Reconnaissance Program, part of the National Foreign Intelligence Program.

[PKI Forum](#) was established in 1999 to foster support for standards-based, interoperable public-key infrastructure (PKI) as a foundation for secure transactions in e-business applications. Also known as The OASIS PKI Member Section, it brings member organizations together in a neutral setting to increase knowledge about PKI and to initiate studies and demonstration projects to show the value of interoperable PKI and PKI-based solutions. The group collaborates and cooperates with appropriate standards and testing bodies to promote the adoption of open industry standards. Now part of OASIS, a not-for-profit, international consortium that drives the development, convergence, and adoption of e-business standards.

[Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals](#) (SCIP) is a global nonprofit membership organization for everyone involved in creating and managing business knowledge. Their mission is to enhance the skills of knowledge professionals in order to help their companies achieve and maintain a competitive advantage. SCIP provides education and networking opportunities for business professionals working in the rapidly growing field of competitive intelligence (the legal and ethical collection and analysis of information regarding the capabilities, vulnerabilities, and intentions of business competitors).

[US Intelligence Community](#) (IC) is a federation of executive branch organizations that pursue intelligence activities necessary for the conduct of foreign relations and for ensuring the national security of the United States. IC members collaborate together both to meet their own missions and to satisfy overall Community objectives. Each has its own areas of expertise and responsibility. The IC includes 13 government agencies and organizations: Air Force, Army, Marine Corps and Navy Intelligence, CIA, Defense Intelligence Agency, Homeland Security, Department of Energy, FBI, National Security Agency, State Department, Treasury Department, Coast Guard, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, and National Reconnaissance Office.

[Trends in Proprietary Information Loss Survey Report](#) is an ASIS publication. Documented losses of trade secrets and other proprietary information cost U.S. companies tens of billions of dollars annually. The findings of this 10th anniversary survey, conducted in 2001, analyze hard data to determine the risk of theft, loss, misappropriation, or destruction of proprietary information. The study was conducted among the Fortune 1,000 list of corporations and 600 small and mid-sized companies belonging to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. A total of 138 companies responded, reporting information for the period July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001.