Professional Ethics in Computing: Seminar 1 Scenario 3

Now consider a variation of the scenario 2. Josh completed his paper and emailed it to his professor before logging off Alice's account. Alice's company monitors email traffic and detected that an email with an attachment of a file in Alice's directory had been sent to a server outside the company's network. Alice's boss, Carol, confronted Alice, who readily admitted her transgression of company policy. Carol viewed Alice's action as a cavalier disregard for company security and fired her. Alice was given 2 weeks' pay and escorted off the premises.

- *What additional ethical considerations are there?*

Professional Ethics in Computing: Seminar 1 Scenario 2

Now consider a variation of the scenario 1. Josh is a computer science student in his final year. Alice has graduated from computer science and is working for a software development company as a software engineer. Josh asks Alice to use her company account instead. As before, Josh simply wrote his paper and logged off the system.

- *What is different? Does it change your decision?*

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Scenario 1

Alice and Josh, two first-year undergraduate students, are good friends. Josh tells Alice that his account in the University network has been disabled and he needs to complete a paper for his English class. He asks Alice to give him her password so that he can log on to her account and write the paper. Because Alice considers Josh to be a close friend, she provided him with her password. Josh logs onto Alice's account, and completes his paper for English. He did not look at the content of any of Alice's files, nor did he delete or modify anything. He simply wrote his paper and logged off the system.

- *Did anyone do anything wrong? If so, what was it?*