# **O.C.G.A. § 16-9-93.1**

Current with Chapters 354 through 374 of the 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly. The Statutes do not reflect possible future codification directives from the Revisor of Statutes pursuant to Code Section 28-9-5. Additionally, the Statutes may be affected by prior or subsequent legislative enactment, revision, or executive action.

***Official Code of Georgia Annotated* > *TITLE 16 Crimes and Offenses (Chs. 1 — 17)* > *CHAPTER 9 Forgery and Fraudulent Practices (Arts. 1 — 9)* > *Article 6 Computer Systems Protection (Pts. 1 — 4)* > *PART 1 Computer Crimes (§§ 16-9-90 — 16-9-94)***

**16-9-93.1. Misleading transmittal and use of individual name, trade name, registered trademark, logo, legal or official seal, or copyrighted symbol over computer or telephone network; criminal penalty; civil remedies.**

**(a)** It shall be unlawful for any person, any organization, or any representative of any organization knowingly to transmit any data through a computer network or over the transmission facilities or through the network facilities of a local telephone network for the purpose of setting up, maintaining, operating, or exchanging data with an electronic mailbox, home page, or any other electronic information storage bank or point of access to electronic information if such data uses any individual name, trade name, registered trademark, logo, legal or official seal, or copyrighted symbol to falsely identify the person, organization, or representative transmitting such data or which would falsely state or imply that such person, organization, or representative has permission or is legally authorized to use such trade name, registered trademark, logo, legal or official seal, or copyrighted symbol for such purpose when such permission or authorization has not been obtained; provided, however, that no telecommunications company or Internet access provider shall violate this Code section solely as a result of carrying or transmitting such data for its customers.

**(b)** Any person violating subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**(c)** Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit an aggrieved party’s right to pursue a civil action for equitable or monetary relief, or both, for actions which violate this Code section.

**History**

Code 1981, § 16-9-93.1, enacted by Ga. L. 1996, p. 1505, § 1.

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