

Introduction to Computer Forensics
CSCI 3800
Lecture Notes
Chapter 4

Laws Governing Computer Crimes

- Our form of government in the United States has created four levels of “laws”, they are:
 - Federal Law,
 - State Law,
 - County Law *,
 - Municipal (City) Law.
- Usually, federal and state laws cover computer crimes.
- US Constitution, 4th Amendment:
 - The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.
- Federal:
 - Computer Fraud and Abuse Act (§ 1030 Title 18 USC).
 - Identity Theft:
 - § 1028(a)(7) Title 18 USC
 - § 1028A Title 18 USC
 - Child Pornography
 - Crime: § 2260 Title 18 USC.
 - Definition: § 2256(11) Title 18 USC.
- State (Colorado):
 - Computer Crime (C.R.S. § 18-5.5-101 & § 18-5.5-102)
 - Identity Theft (C.R.S. §18-5-901 & §18-5-902)
 - Child Pornography (C.R.S. §18-6-403)
 - Internet Sexual Exploitation of a Child (C.R.S. §18-3-405.4)