

Cyberlaw Trivia Questions & Answers 2024

FULL FORM Q&A

Round 1. General

1 In 2023, California enacted SB-244, the Right to Repair Act, after it got support from **this Big Tech company**, founded in 1978 in this garage, who previously strongly opposed New York's "Fair Repair Act" in, and "Digital Fair Repair" Act in 2022.

Apple

2 In *Park v Kim*, the Second Circuit sanctioned an attorney who submitted a reply brief in the appeal that cited a nonexistent case that, as it turns out, the attorney obtained through **which AI service?**

ChatGPT

3 On May 17, Colorado AI Act (CAIA) (SB-205), establishing a new legal regime with respect to artificial intelligence systems, was signed into law by **which Governor?**

Jared Polis

4 FAANG is an acronym for five of the world's most well-known and highly valued technology companies: Facebook (now Meta Platforms), Amazon, Apple, Netflix, and Google (now Alphabet). **What is the name** of the CNBC Mad Money host who coined the term in 2013?

Jim Cramer

5 JSTOR announced this year that its product is now available for free in many correctional facilities. **What internet activist** faced years in prison for downloading documents from JSTOR using a guest user account issued to him by a university?

Aaron Swartz

6 This term, the Supreme Court reinstated a lawsuit by this 501(c)(4) organization, alleging that a New York DFS official violated the group's First Amendment rights when she urged banks and insurance companies not to do business with it in order to suppress its advocacy. **What is the association's name?**

National Rifle Association

7 Attorney General Aaron Darnell Ford filed for a restraining order and preliminary injunction against Meta in February to prevent it from turning on end-to-end encryption by default on Messenger for users under 18 in the Silver State, **formally known as what?**

Nevada

8 The NSA buys and uses various types of commercially available metadata for its foreign intelligence and cybersecurity missions, including netflow data "related to wholly domestic internet communications." according to a letter addressed to **which U.S. Senator**, who introduced the First Amendment is Not for Sale Act.

Sen. Ron Wyden.

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Round 2: IP

1 In March 2024, **which state's** governor signed the Ensuring Likeness Voice and Image Security (ELVIS) Act, providing voice, image and likeness protections for its residents against alleged misuses of artificial intelligence.
Tennessee

2 In *Thicc Boy v. Swidelles*, (D.R.I. Feb 22, 2024), the court found that Swidelles' reaction videos, which showed him watching and reacting to the Thicc Boy podcast, were a fair use, despite using extensive full frame sections of the Thicc Boy videos. In March, Thicc Boy appealed to **which circuit**?
First Circuit

3 Using copyright and anti-circumvention law, Nintendo sued and eventually shutdown Yuzu, which provided a free software emulator that let people play games like *The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild* on their phones and computers. **What gaming platform** did Yuzu emulate?
https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/c/c6/The_Legend_of_Zelda_Breath_of_the_Wild.jpg
Nintendo Switch

4 Last year, the Ninth Circuit held that Instagram could not be liable for secondary infringement because embedding a photo does not "display a copy" of the underlying image, citing their prior landmark 2007 copyright decision, from a case brought against Google **by whom**?
Perfect 10

5 The "If You See Something, Say Something®" campaign was originally implemented and trademarked by **which transportation authority**?
New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority

6 In November 2023, the Supreme Court heard argument in *Vidal v. Elster* regarding a provision in the federal Lanham Act that directs the PTO to refuse to register any mark that identifies "a particular living individual." In this First Amendment case, the PTO had refused to register a phrase used to sell T-shirts mocking **which public figure**?
Donald J. Trump

7. In *Warner Chappell Music, Inc. v. Nealy* (2024), the Supreme Court held that the Copyright Act entitles a copyright owner to obtain monetary relief for any timely infringement claim, no matter when the infringement occurred. Under the Copyright Act, a plaintiff must file suit "within **[how many]** years after the claim accrued"?
Three

8. The Seminole Tribe successfully obtained the trademark registration of the design of this hotel, with the TTAB holding the guitar design was inherently distinctive, "unique" for a building

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and is a “type that consumers would immediately rely on to differentiate applicant’s services.”

What does **TTAB** stand for?

Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB)

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Hard_Rock_Casino_Hotel_Fort_Lauderdale_Florida,_June_2021.jpg

Round 3: Free Speech

1 The U.S. Supreme Court in *Lindke v. Freed* crafted a two-part test to determine whether a government official engaged in “state action” such that censoring individuals on **this form of communication**—even if partially used for personal purposes—would violate the First Amendment.

the official’s social media page

2 Which of these is NOT an acronym of a bill purportedly aimed at protecting children online?

KOSA

STOP CSAM

PKSMA (Protecting Kids on Social Media Act)

EARN IT

KPOP

3 GoGuardian's student surveillance tool flagged **this vintage computer game** about moving in a covered wagon to the west coast as inappropriate content.

Oregon Trail

4 Earlier this year, the Los Angeles Superior Court held that Section 230 did not protect **this company** from liability stemming from drug dealers’ use of its messaging software, finding its software included “defective” product features like it’s disappearing messages.

Snap

5 In 2023, Patreon sought to end a class action lawsuit by claiming that the Video Privacy Protection Act violated its First Amendment rights to disclose user’s video viewing history. Congress passed the VPPA in response to a journalist publishing **what federal judge’s** video rental history?

Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert Rehnquist

D.C. Circuit Judge **Robert Bork**

Then-D.C. Circuit Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia

6 In June 2023, the Supreme Court held that establishing a statement is a “true threat” unprotected by the First Amendment, the state must prove that the defendant had some subjective understanding of the statements’ threatening nature, based on a showing no more

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demanding than recklessness, in *Counterman vs **what state***, which contains the second-highest summit in the contiguous United States?
Colorado

7 In *Murthy v. Missouri*, the Supreme Court considered this term whether the government's challenged conduct transformed private social media companies' content-moderation decisions into state action. The alleged "Disinformation Dozen" victims of this conduct include **which current presidential candidate**.
RFK, Jr.

8, **Name both cases** still pending before the Supreme Court regarding whether the First Amendment prohibits viewpoint-, content-, or speaker-based laws restricting select websites from engaging in editorial choices about whether, and how, to publish and disseminate speech. (½ point each)
NetChoice, LLC v. Paxton / Moody v. NetChoice, LLC

Round 4: Privacy & Security

1 In early 2023, a lawyer was prevented from attending an event in **which venue**, after facial recognition software indicated that she worked at a firm that had brought suits against the owner?
Radio City Music Hall

2 In *Utah v. Valdez*, after a trial court allowed an adverse inference from Valdez's refusal to disclose his phone's passcode, the Utah Supreme Court held that this violated his Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination. The phone was protected by a nine-dot swipe-pattern passcode, which indicates it had **what phone operating system**?
Android

3 April 7, Sen. Cantwell and Rep. McMorris Rodgers released a discussion draft of the APRA, a national comprehensive privacy bill designed to rival the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in global influence, two years after the last (failed) attempt to pass a national privacy law. **What does APRA stand for**?
American Privacy Rights Act

4 A global conglomerate is currently developing Woven City, a fully functional smart city, as a test bed, right at the foot of this mountain, raising privacy concerns of the future of urban privacy. **What country's privacy laws** would apply?
Japan

5. In February, students at the University of Waterloo discovered M&M-branded smart vending machines on campus were covertly collecting facial-recognition data without their consent, leading to their removal. Waterloo is also the name of a Eurovision winning song by **which Swedish band**?

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ABBA

6. Earlier this year, the Supreme Court of Canada held that, under the Canadian charter of rights, an IP address can't be compelled without prior judicial authorization, akin to a warrant.

What is the court's **other official name**?

Cour suprême du Canada

7. The European Union continues to consider the highly-controversial introduction of either backdoors or mandatory client-side scanning, as part of a Regulation on child sexual abuse, which is popularly known by **what colloquial name**?

Chat Control

8. Last week, Microsoft switched its Recall program—which automatically screenshots and locally stores the user's activity every five seconds for AI analysis—to be off by default, after a tsunami of criticism from the privacy and security communities. This screenshot functionality is a common feature of state sponsored malware discovered by **which research group** based at the Munk School of Global Affairs at the University of Toronto?

Citizen Lab

Round 5: Decentralization

1 *Computer Networks: The Heralds of Resource Sharing* is a short documentary film from 1972, about the creation of **the first wide-area packet-switched network** with distributed control, which became one of the first computer networks to implement the TCP/IP protocol suite.

ARPANET

2 Napster, which popularized using p2p file transfer for MP3s, faced its first lawsuit in April 2000, brought after a band discovered a demo of their song "I Disappear" had been circulating across the network before it was released. **Which band** filed the suit?

Metallica

3 *Religious Technology Center v. Netcom.*, 907 F. Supp. 1361 (N.D. Cal. 1995) held that Netcom was not directly or vicariously liable for copyright infringement by posters on the newsgroup alt.religion.scientology, which was hosted on **what worldwide decentralized discussion system**?

USENET

4 Skype, founded in 2005, used peer-to-peer technology to revolutionize international phone calls with free computer-to-computer calls. After being bought by Microsoft, it was re-centralized from a peer-to-peer service to Microsoft controlled servers, using **what cloud computing platform**?

Microsoft Azure

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5 The “substantial non-infringing use” doctrine, a key protection for innovation in new technologies, was first applied to peer-to-peer technologies in *MGM v Grokster*, where three justices found the “need for modifying Sony (or for interpreting Sony’s standard more strictly) has not yet been shown” in a concurrence. **Name any one of them.**

Justices Breyer, Stevens and O’Connor

6. In 2005, BitTorrent, Inc., originator of the bittorrent p2p protocol, made a deal with the seven largest movie studios in America to remove links to infringing content on the official BitTorrent website, agreeing to comply with takedown procedures outlined in **which 1998 copyright law?** (½ **point** for the larger Act it was Title II of)

Online Copyright Infringement Liability Limitation Act

Title II of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (½ point)

7. In the DOJ lawsuit against Apple for anti-competitive practices filed this Spring, the DOJ accused Apple of signaling to their “users that rival smartphones are lower quality,” such that the non-Apple users “experience social stigma, exclusion, and blame for ‘breaking’ chats where other participants own iPhones,” though **what visual design choice?**

The text appears to the iPhone user as a green bubble

8. In *U.S. v. Microsoft*, filed in 1998, the DOJ alleged that Microsoft had abused monopoly power on Intel-based personal computers to crush rivals, and the trial included evidence that Microsoft executives had an intention to “extinguish” and “smother” a rival and to “cut off [the company’s] air supply” by giving away a clone of their flagship browser product for free. What was the **browser’s name?**

Netscape Navigator

Round 6: Final Round

1. In *Meta v Bright Data* (N.D.Cal. 2024), Judge CHen held that bypassing a CAPTCHA to scrape an otherwise public website was not unauthorized access under the CFAA. CAPTCHA refers to a test named after **which English mathematician?**

Alan Turing

2 In February 2024, *Podchasov v. Russia* held that forcing Telegram to decrypt communications of its users is incompatible with “the very essence of the right to respect for private life” under the European Human Rights Convention. **What court** issued this decision?

The European Court of Human Rights

3 In January 2024, the FBI disrupted a botnet network by remotely accessing and patching a variety of home routers and IP cameras, without authorization from the owner, using an authority granted in 2015 to obtain a warrant under **which Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure?**

Rule 41

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4 Last year, Dragon Sector, a white hat hacker group, broke DRM that geoblocked the ability to start the the Lower Silesian regional rail operator's trains whenever they were at independent repair shops, and faced legal threats from the manufacturer Newag. In **which country** is *most* of Lower Silesia?

Poland

Small parts are in Czech Republic and Germany (½ point)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Newag_Impuls#/media/File:Newag_Impuls_\(31WE-004A\)_-_Wroc%C5%82aw_\(Breslau\).JPG](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Newag_Impuls#/media/File:Newag_Impuls_(31WE-004A)_-_Wroc%C5%82aw_(Breslau).JPG)

5 In a holding that Professor Orin Kerr called preposterous, the court in *U.S. v Dallmann* (D. Nev. 2024) found Section 2703(f) Internet preservation is outside Fourth Amendment, holding that Internet providers obeying government orders to copy files for the government, are private actors, not government actors. Section 2703 was created by **what Act**?

(½ **point** for the larger Act it was Title II of)

Stored Communications Act

Which is also Title II of the Electronic Communications Privacy Act. (½ point)

6 If a website has over 45 millions users in the European Union, it is considered a Very Large Online Platform under **what EU regulation** on unlawful content, transparent advertising, and disinformation?

Digital Services Act Regulation 2022

7 A district court judge recently dismissed X's (formerly Twitter) CFAA and breach of contract lawsuit against the Center for Countering Digital Hate regarding the non-profit's scraping and research about the X platform following Elon Musk's ownership takeover. The judge noted that "this case is about punishing the Defendants for their speech." What are the **names of the judge and his more famous brother**? (½ point each)

Charles Breyer and Steven Breyer

8 Perhaps the most consequential Fourth Amendment decision in the last decade, *U.S. v. Carpenter* now requires a search warrant for law enforcement to obtain a phone user's comprehensive location records from a phone company. The underlying facts involved a series of robberies at two retail technology stores. What are the **names of those stores**? (1 full point each)

Radio Shack or T-Mobile

Tie Breakers (closest to correct without going over)

1 Many recent comprehensive state privacy laws specifically protect "precise geolocation data." What is **the radius**, in feet, that most state laws* have settled on to meet that definition?

1,750 feet

2 What is **Pi**?

3.14159265358979323846264338327950288419716939937510.....

If more digits are needed to break a tie, [UIUC has our back](#).