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EFF's Legal Guide for Bloggers

Blogs can be diaries, political pamphlets, newspapers, and much more. Regardless of their subject or format, blogging can be both a simple and a revolutionary tool for speech.

Like all journalists and publishers, bloggers sometimes publish information that other people don't want published. You might, for example, publish something that someone considers defamatory, republish an AP news story that's under copyright, or write a lengthy piece detailing the alleged crimes of a candidate for public office.

Internet bullies shouldn't get to use the law to stifle legitimate free expression, and that's why EFF created a legal guide for bloggers, compiling a number of FAQs designed to help you understand your rights and, if necessary, defend your freedom. The guide provides a basic roadmap to the legal issues you may confront as a blogger, to let you know you have rights, and to encourage you to blog freely with the knowledge that your legitimate speech is protected.

Read the guide here:

<http://www.eff.org/bloggers/lg>

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