

**AALS Section on Internet and Computer Law
Call for Papers for 2016 AALS Annual Meeting**

The AALS Section on Internet and Computer Law is seeking abstracts or drafts of papers to be presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting in New York City (January 6-10, 2016). This year's program is entitled, "Once More Unto the Breach: The Law & Policy of Data Breaches."

Whether they happen when papers or a laptop are left behind in a taxi, when hackers gain access to government or private systems remotely, or when physical access provides thieves with an opportunity to steal data at the point-of-sale, data breaches appear to be occurring with great frequency these days. Recent examples include breaches that occurred at Target, Home Depot, and Michael's stores, Anthem Insurance, the federal Office of Personnel Management, and the Ashley Madison website. The data stolen in each case varies, from employee records, to credit card information, to health records, to sexual fantasies and adulterous desires. The panel members will discuss the effect of these breaches on the individuals and the data holders, how the law does, can and should respond to data breaches, and, what steps all of us can and should be taking to safeguard our data.

Confirmed participants include Woodrow Hartzog (Samford University Cumberland School of Law), Sasha Romanosky (Rand Corporation), Lesley Fair (Federal Trade Commission), and Jonathan Manes (Yale Law School, Moderator). We are seeking one additional panelist to join this distinguished group. The chosen paper will be distributed to Section members prior to the Annual Meeting.

The program will take place on Saturday, January 9, 2016 from 10:30 am to 12:15pm.

Please submit a draft paper or abstract (preference will be given to papers that are in draft at the time of submission) to Section Chair Robert Heverly at rheve@albanylaw.edu. **The submission deadline is September 30, 2015.**