

# Court Upholds Ex-Korn/Ferry Executive's Conviction in Hacking Case

☒ A federal appeals court on Tuesday gave the U.S. Department of Justice broad leeway to police password theft under a 1984 anti-hacking law, upholding the conviction of a former Korn/Ferry International executive for stealing confidential client data, **reports Reuters**.

“The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco said David Nosal violated the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act in 2005 when he and two friends, who had also left Korn/Ferry, used an employee’s password to access the recruiting firm’s computers and obtain information to help start a new firm,” reports **Jonathan Stempel**.

The court found that Nosal acted “without authorization” even though the employee, his former secretary, had voluntarily provided her password.

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