

Goodwin Procter Hit by Data Breach Through Vendor

“Goodwin Procter LLP suffered a data breach after a vendor that it uses for large file transfers was hacked, according to an internal memo obtained by news outlets,” reports Lawyer Monthly in their *Legal News*.

“The memo, circulated on Tuesday by managing partner Mark Battencourt, said Goodwin was notified of the security issue on 22 January and immediately stopped using the service. The firm also retained the services of a third-party forensic expert and launched an investigation into the breach.”

“‘Our investigation revealed a small percentage of our clients may have experienced unauthorized access to or acquisition of confidential material’ on 20 January, Battencourt said in the memo. ‘Clients whose data may have been directly impacted as a result of this matter have been notified, and we have also communicated the security incident to all firm clients.’”

“The investigation also revealed that ‘only a few Goodwin employees were affected’ by a breach, all of whom had also been notified. The memo added that none of the firm’s resources appeared to have been impacted other than the file transfer service.”

Read the article.