

## **Federal Privacy Laws**

### **Identity Theft**

Federal Identity Theft Assumption and Deterrence Act of 1998 - 18 U.S. Code section 1028.

The Act makes it a federal crime to use another's identity to commit an activity that violates Federal law or that is a felony under state or local law. Violations are investigated by federal agencies including the Secret Service, the FBI and the Postal Inspection Service and prosecuted by the U.S. Department of Justice.