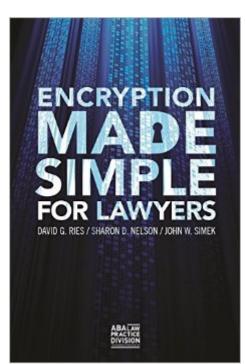
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# **Encryption Made Simple For Lawyers**





## Synopsis

Encryption is now a generally accepted security measure for protecting confidential data â " both when stored and transmitted. Data breaches have become a common occurrence, and hackers cannot only get confidential details about a case or deal, but steal your client's information as well. Fortunately, easy-to-use options are available today for encryption. It has now reached the point where all attorneys should generally understand encryption, have it available for use when appropriate, and make informed decisions about when encryption should be used and when it is acceptable to avoid it. Accomplished authors Sharon D. Nelson, David G. Ries and John W. Simek will cover everything you need to know about encryption, breaking down the myths of security and putting the power to protect sensitive data in your hands. Topics include: The basics and history of encryptionThe ethics of encrypting confidential informationA layman's view of encrypting technologyEasy to use options for encrypting data on devices like laptops, tablets, and smartphonesEncrypting data on the go (including wireless and cloud technologies)Predictions for the future evolution of encryption

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The good thing about encryption is that it can make your data virtually impossible to be read by anyone except those you allow. The bad thing about encryption is that itâ <sup>™</sup>s relatively easy to do wrong. And in many cases, people have made configuration errors such that they have locked themselves out of their own data. In Encryption Made Simple for Lawyers, authors David Ries, John Simek and Sharon Nelson (of which Ries and Nelson are lawyers) have written a handy introductory

text on encryption. Of the 12 chapters, only the first 3 are written with a purely legal focus. With that, since encryption is now de rigueur for any professional, the book will be helpful to the reader that wants to know the practical aspects surrounding the various topics involved with encryption, without getting bogged down in the technicalities or mathematics of encryption and cryptography. The book provides the reader with the basics and history of encryption, along with details on how to effective encrypt their data. The authors write that lawyers are mandated to know what technology is needed and how to use it as per the American Bar Association (ABA) rule 1.1, which mandates that a lawyer must provide competent representation to a client. Competent representation requires the legal knowledge, skill, thoroughness and preparation reasonably necessary for the representation. With that, in 2016, encryption and its related tasks are unquestionably required for every lawyer. Additional ABA rules relevant to encryption include rule 1.4 on client-lawyer communications and rule 1.6 on confidentiality of information. At 240 pages, the book is a relatively quick read.

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