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II SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS MEDIA COVERAGE

Media coverage provided in this section reflects the interest and emphasis of reporters and editors in writing on privacy and related issues.

Following are excerpts of some representative stories.

THE STATE December 11, 1989

This local examination of covert monitoring of department store customers includes a reference to federal privacy legislation and comments from its sponsor, Rep. Don Edwards, D-CA, and a national staff member of the ACLU.

On its face, the article suggests the newspaper's willingness to tackle privacy issues. However, the writer, Mike Livingston, or his editor, chose not to pursue the local angle by contacting the South Carolina ACLU or potentially like-minded members of the South Carolina legislature.

THE STATE November 13, 1989

This article by business writer Ron Wenzell is an unquestioning, undoubtably near ver batim restatement of an anti-smoker group's -- The Wellness Council of the Midlands of South Carolina -- news release on the Smokeout.

THE STATE May 23, 1988

This at-face-value article by Ron Wenzell tells the story of a woman who was transferred to a lesser job and took a cut in pay because she was allergic to cigarette smoke -- because the company did not have a smoking policy.

ASSOCIATED PRESS February 4, 1988

This is a feature with the theme "...tobacco is outliving its welcome in the South."

BYLINES

These writers have examined privacy and privacy-related issues:

- The State Mike Livingston, Mobashir Salahuddin (medical writer), Ron Wenzell (business writer), Jeff Miller, Cindi Ross Scoppe
- Associated Press Trip DuBard

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