

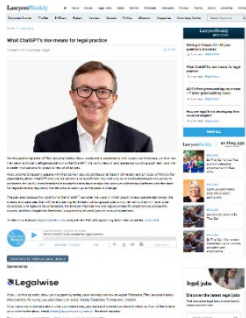
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## UPDATE

# Chat GPT and Statutory Tort for Invasion of Privacy

## 1. Generative AI

Bill Gates has described the potential impact of Generative AI as “as big a breakthrough, a milestone, as anything I have seen in the whole digital computer realm.”



I discuss the possible impact of ChatGPT on the practice of law in this podcast for Lawyers Weekly:

Audio: <https://smarturl.it/j16wfb>

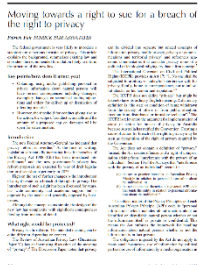
Lawyers weekly site; <https://www.lawyersweekly.com.au/podcast/37019-what-chatgpt-s-rise-means-for-legal-practice>

ON 28 March I presented a seminar on Copyright and Generative AI for the Australian Copyright Council.

## 2. Statutory tort for serious invasions of Privacy

Proposal 27 in the Federal Government’s Privacy Act Report Review Report 2022 is to “Introduce a statutory tort for serious invasions of privacy in the form recommended by the ALRC in Report 123. Consult with states and territories on implementation to ensure a consistent national approach.”

Late last year I prepared an article for LexisNexis providing background to the possible tort, the form it might take and anticipating its introduction. A statutory tort for serious invasions of privacy will create a new basis for enforcement of the right of privacy with significant implications for journalism and the reporting of news.



The article was published in the March edition of the Privacy law Bulletin. LexisNexis have kindly permitted me to make a copy available [here](#).

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