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Christopher Kratovil Quoted in *Westlaw Journal Computer & Internet*

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Christopher D. Kratovil, Dallas-based member in Dykema's Litigation practice group, was quoted in the *Westlaw Journal Computer & Internet* article, "In Facebook threat case, Supreme Court says intent required," which discusses the 8-1 opinion by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Elonis v. United States* overturning a Pennsylvania man's conviction for posting threatening rap lyrics on Facebook.

In the article, Kratovil points out that as result of the decision, nobody will go to jail for an ill-advised social media post, provided that the allegedly criminal speech resulted from negligence or stupidity rather than from intent to threaten. He also illustrates that the decision is a narrow win for free speech advocates because it adds a hoop for prosecutors to jump through in making their case because the defendant speaker's state of mind and intent matter.

To read the entire article, [click here](#).

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