

# TALES FROM THE "DARK SIDE"

*Real Privacy Nightmares from HIPAA Gap Assessments*

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# HIPAA Privacy: Real or Imagined?

- Everyone is paying attention to privacy compliance more
- Covered entities are adopting new policies and changing forms
- Everyone has a Notice of Privacy Practices
- Process Action Teams are hard at work just like they are before the JCAHO hits town
- So why are there so many privacy problems?

# The DEVIL is in the Details

- The effect of state law pre-emption cannot be underestimated
- Many processes are so firmly entrenched that people will assume that “they must be right”
- Familiarity with systems causes “blind spots”



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# *Good Ideas Gone Bad*

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# Night of the Hunter

(or the False Prophet)

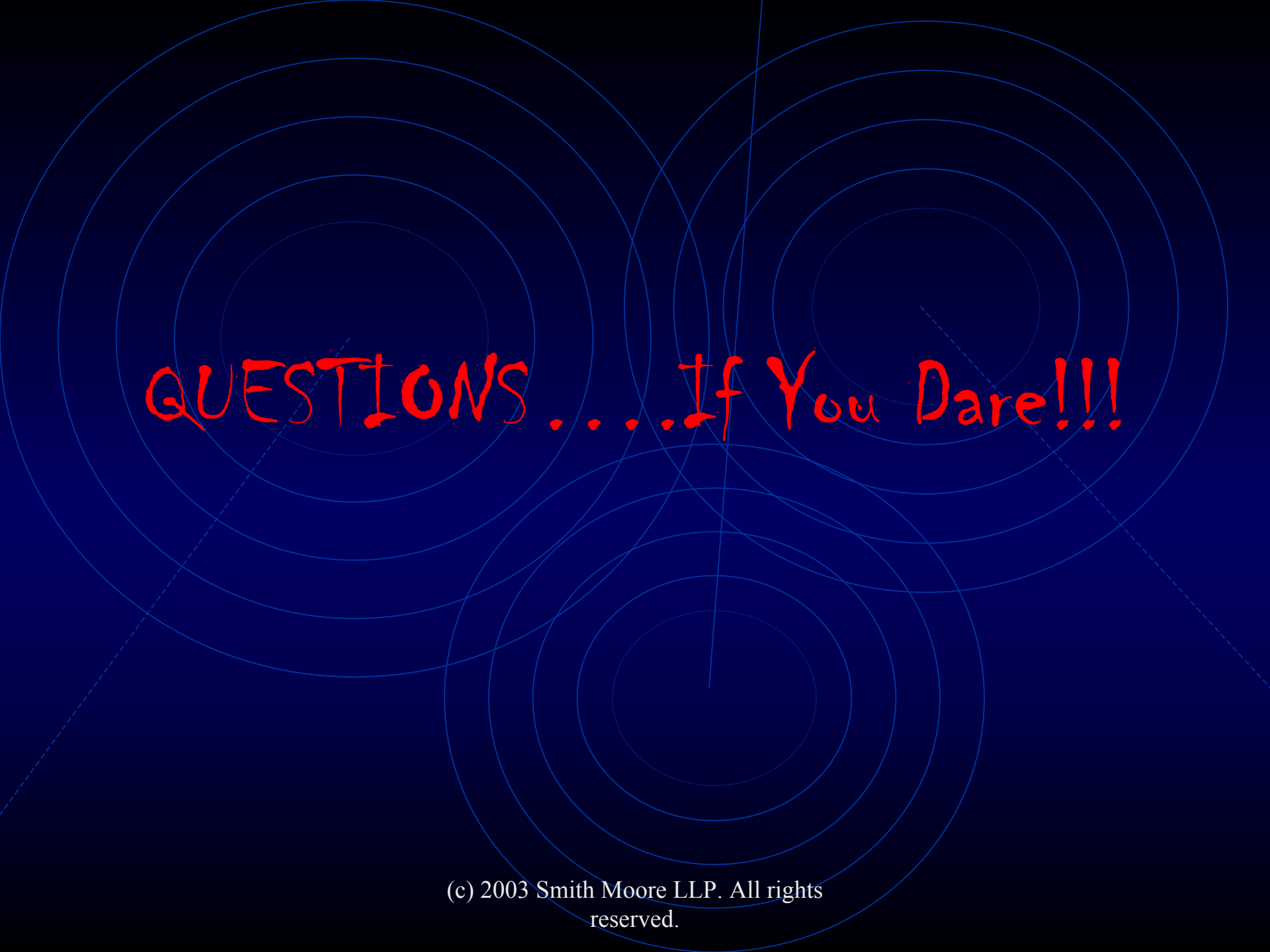
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TO A FACILITY NEAR YOU**

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QUESTIONS .....If You Dare!!!

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