

Re: License Theft

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CTurner943@hotmail.com wrote:

> *I was recently fired by my boss who is basically using me
> as a capegoat for bldg, health and safety issues he has
> finally been caught for. My big problem is 3 days before
> he fired me in an effort to make productivity in the office
> better I offered to donate my computer (his was a very
> early pentium with something like 80MB for ram) and nothing
> was loading right. Even though he knew he was going to
> fire me he lured me into signing the gift of my computer.
> Now that he has fired me I do understand I lost the
> computer (have a newer one so thats no big deal) however
> all the programs on the computer I never gave license to
> him or the company they are all registered in my name
> individually. It includes Windows XP and Office 2000.
> When I tried to go to the office to say the programs were
> mine the new manager (an ex motorcycle cop from LA)
> threatened to physically stop me. What are my legal
> options, after all the programs are single proprietary
> licenses right?*

Change your approach with the new manager. Do you have proof of ownership of the software, namely sales receipts, manuals, etc. Can you substantiate whether or not there was any coercion into signing the deed of gift? Or was there some form of sexual harassment involved? One good thing with ex-policemen is that they are aware of the law.