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I am a heavy computer user and have gotten most of the lawyers in my District using computers and the internet for a number of essential needs. They/we all have problems with spyware and adware.

In my opinion, it is nothing more than unauthorized intrusion on our computers. While much of it is placed after a user indicates they agree to the privacy statement, that is at best an adhesion contract and an obfuscated one at that.

A very clearly stated, prominent disclosure should be made and the user's permission obtained in an informed and intelligent consent prior to installation of spyware and it otherwise should be totally prohibited with stiff penalties that provide a private remedy.

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