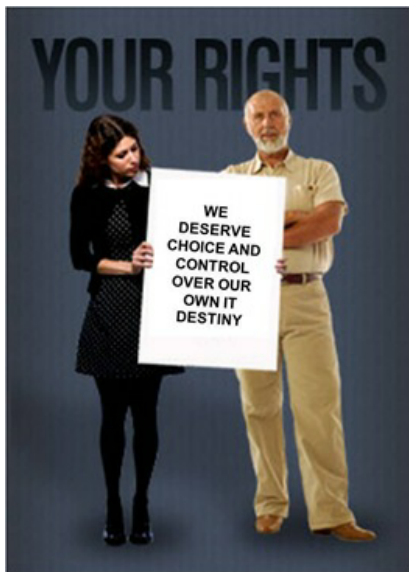


The Revolution Begins: The IT Bill of Rights



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First Amendment

Vendors shall make no law respecting an establishment of architecture, or prohibiting the free design thereof; or constraining the flow of data, or of packets; or the right of the administrators easily to configure, and to ensure the fast, secure, and available delivery of applications.

Second Amendment

A well-performing network being necessary to the delivery of applications, the right of IT to optimization of any network environment, shall not be infringed.

Third Amendment

Budgetary constraints, though required for an efficient business, shall not force IT to compromise on security or performance, these being necessary to the successful deployment of applications.

Fourth Amendment

The overhead of management, being burdensome in both time and financial costs, shall be reduced through integration and the codification of application expertise such that administrators need not waste their time.

Fifth Amendment

In all scenarios, clients shall enjoy the right to speedy and secure application data, delivered by an application delivery network that is aware of the nature and location of the clients and able to dynamically apply policies which IT shall have previously determined apply based on the conditions that exist at the time the request is made.

Sixth Amendment

Excessive use of resources shall not be tolerated, nor unauthorized access to resources allowed. IT shall maintain the right to delegate the power of administration and consumption of resources as it sees fit.

Seventh Amendment

The needs of IT to consolidate servers and infrastructure being paramount to an efficient data center architecture, the deployment of application delivery network solutions shall not impede or impinge upon consolidation efforts and instead shall be required to assist in said efforts.

Eighth Amendment

Excessive latency shall not be added to applications by the proliferation of solutions.

Ninth Amendment

The ability of IT to monitor and closely manage the behavior of applications and infrastructure being a requirement for a successful, efficient application deployment, the right of IT to visibility into and centralized reporting of application and infrastructure behavior, will not be denied.

Tenth Amendment

The enumeration in this post, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by IT. Vendors shall provide the ability of IT to extend and customize application delivery solutions in a way that best serves its own purpose, without interference or constraint.



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