Re: Information disclosure?

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Jesper Wallin wrote:
> For some reason, I thought little about the "clear" command today..
> Let's say a privileged user (root) logs on, edit a sensitive file (e.g,
> a file containing a password, running vipw, etc) .. then runs clear and
> logout. Then anyone can press the scroll−lock command, scroll back up
> and read the sensitive information.. Isn't "clear" ment to clear the
> backbuffer instead of printing a full screen of returns? If it does, I'm
> not sure how that would effect a user running "clear" on a pty (telnet,
> sshd, screen, etc) ..

vidcontrol −C ; clear

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"This isn't right. This isn't even wrong." −− Wolfgang Pauli
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