Social Media and Homeowners Insurance: Are Your Facebook Posts Covered?

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The Rapid Rise of Social Media

<u>2005</u>		<u>2015</u>
7%	Adults in the U.S.	65%
12%	Young adults (18-29)	90%
8%	Adults 30-49	77%

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Facebook - 1.13 billion daily users



WeChat - 700 million



SnapChat - 150 million



Twitter - 136 million



The Rapid Rise of Social Media-Sparked Defamation Lawsuits



'My fashion designer is a drug dealer, thief, and prostitute!'

'James Woods is a cocaine addict!'







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You could get sued for defamation if you:

- Write a negative Yelp review about your former attorney
- Accuse your neighbor online of trying to spy on your family
- Post pictures of your kids on Facebook







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