

Colin Black

ASSOCIATE

Data, Privacy, and
Cybersecurity

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FOCUS AREAS

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EXPERIENCE

Colin Black is a member of the firm's privacy and cybersecurity practice and a leading member of the incident response practice. Colin has represented organizations of all sizes in preparing for and responding to cybersecurity incidents.

Colin has represented organizations in hundreds of incidents involving complex malware, ransomware, phishing/spear-phishing attacks, insider wrongdoing, and other threats to data privacy and security. His expertise includes regulations relating to threats and protection of personal information, regulations governing the use and disclosure of PHI including HIPAA, rules governing controlled unclassified information (CUI) and DFARS, international data protection regulations such as GDPR, financial privacy regulations including GLBA, BSA, and Sarbanes-Oxley, and other legal and technical frameworks governing highly sensitive information.

Colin has presented on concepts and strategy relating to technology, cybersecurity, and data privacy to law students, insurance brokers and carriers, trade organizations, publicly-traded and private companies, and government offices.

Colin graduated from DePaul University College of Law in Chicago with honors and an emphasis in information technology and data privacy. During law school, Colin was part of an initiative seeking to cross-train students in both law and technology and took coursework involving business continuity and disaster recovery, programming, and cybersecurity.

Colin is practicing virtually in Illinois, where he is licensed.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., DePaul University College of Law, 2020
Cum Laude; Editor of Articles, Notes, & Comments, DePaul Law Review Vol. 69; Certificate in Information Technology Law
- B.A., Political Science (Law & Public Policy), California State University, Long Beach, 2017
- A.A., Political Science, Antelope Valley College, 2015

Honors

- CSX Cybersecurity Fundamentals Certificate (CSXF), ISACA, 2019

Admissions

- State Bar of Illinois

INSIGHTS

Select Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, “Cyber Risks & Regulations: Surviving the Future,” Global Cyber Security Initiative, 2024
- Speaker, “Legal and Insurance (Jumping Through Hoops),” DePaul University Cyber Risk Conference: Weathering the Storm of Disruption, 2023
- Guest Lecturer, DePaul University College of Law