

## Kristopher Kleiner

### Special Counsel

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Kris focuses his practice on data privacy and information security, and he has extensive experience advising clients across multiple industries on various data privacy and protection issues, including working with clients to help achieve compliance with an expanding and complex legal privacy landscape. He has also advised clients on privacy and security-related terms in contractual and transactional engagements, as well as identifying, remediating, and responding to data privacy incidents. In addition, he has counseled clients on responding to regulatory inquiries and investigations; developing, implementing, and training related to incident response planning policies and procedures; and conducting data privacy due diligence in corporate transactions. Kris earned the Certified Information Privacy Professional for the United States (CIPP/US) credential from the International Association of Privacy Professionals.

Before joining Cooley, Kris worked in the data privacy practice group for a large, multinational firm, and served as a judicial intern for Colorado Supreme Court Justice Gregory J. Hobbs Jr. and Colorado Second Judicial District Court Judge Michael A. Martinez. Prior to attending law school, Kris worked in business management and management consulting, and he has experience managing small to mid-size businesses, as well as assisting clients with developing and implementing operational improvements and cost-saving measures.

Kris has written on and spoken about various privacy and data security legal issues.

#### Publications

- Co-author of "[US Privacy Compliance Journey: Due Diligence and Gap Assessment](#)," Cooley cyber/data/privacy insights blog, August 11, 2022
- Co-author of "[FTC Expects Board-Level Cybersecurity Oversight](#)," Cooley cyber/data/privacy insights, May 14, 2021
- Author of "[Fourth Proposed Revisions to the CCPA Regulations: Additional Minor Modifications](#)," Cooley cyber/data/privacy insights, December 11, 2020
- Co-author of "[LGPD Update: Brazil's Data Protection Law Moves Closer to Taking Effect](#)," Cooley cyber/data/privacy insights, August 28, 2020

#### Speaking Engagements

- "Cyber/Data/Privacy Compliance Executive Workshop," Austin Venture Association, May 17, 2023
- "IR: Optimizing Communications and Action Between Legal and Tech Leaders," RSA Conference 2023, April 25, 2023

- “US Privacy Compliance Journey Series – Due Diligence and Gap Assessment,” Cooley webinar, April 19, 2022
- “US Data Privacy Landscape,” University of Virginia Darden School of Business, MBA Marketing Technology Products course, March 22, 2022
- “Morning Byte of Cyber: Incident Response,” National Cybersecurity Center, March 18, 2022
- “EU-US Data Transfers and FISA 702,” training presentation, March 15, 2021

## Education

University of Denver Sturm College of Law  
JD, 2013

University of Central Florida  
BS, 1999

## Admissions & Credentials

Colorado

Montana

North Dakota

Utah

Wyoming

## Rankings & Accolades

Legal 500: Key Lawyer – Cyber Law (including Data Privacy and Data Protection) (2021)

## Memberships & Affiliations

International Association of Privacy Professionals