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Matt focuses his practice on cybersecurity, data privacy, and telecommunications. He regularly helps clients comply with domestic and international data protection laws including the GDPR, CCPA, HIPAA, GLBA, COPPA, and numerous other privacy frameworks. He conducts risk assessments for clients to identify compliance gaps and develops compliance frameworks and strategies.

He also advises clients during security incidents and data breaches. Matt assists with forensic investigations and coordinates communications with affected individuals and state and federal regulators. He also assists clients with other types of internet issues including cyberbullying, cybersquatting, and the removal of content from internet platforms including Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Google. Matt also has experience serving as privacy counsel on business transactions and conducting privacy and cybersecurity due diligence.

Leveraging his experience working on telecommunications matters in Washington, D.C. and Ohio, Matt also counsels clients on broadband matters. He navigates clients through FCC compliance matters and assists with managing right-of-way and broadband deployment issues.

During law school, Matt developed his legal skills through various externship programs. He was a judicial extern for U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton, a legislative extern in the Ohio Senate Democratic Caucus, and served as a law clerk to Chairman Tom Wheeler at the Federal Communications Commission.

Services

- Corporate & Transactional
- Cybersecurity & Data Privacy
- Privacy, Data Protection & Internet Technologies
- Public Utilities Industry

Education

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (J.D., 2017)
 - Editor-in-Chief, Ohio State Technology Law Journal

- Michael E. Moritz Leadership Award in Law
- University of South Florida (B.A., *cum laude*, 2013)
 - Honors College

Bar Admissions

- Ohio

Affiliations/Memberships

- Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA), chair, Midwest Chapter
- International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)
- Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA)
- Columbus Bar Association
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, mentor

Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers*®
 - "Ones to Watch" in Columbus for Energy Law (2022)

Publications

July 29, 2021

Doing Business Online? You Probably Need a Privacy Policy and Terms of Service

March 8, 2021

Virginia Becomes 2nd State to Adopt a Comprehensive Consumer Data Privacy Law

November 16, 2020

California Approves the CPRA, a Major Shift in U.S. Privacy Regulation