

Christopher Wolf

Senior Counsel
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Biography

Long before most lawyers saw any connection between the Internet and privacy, Chris Wolf was already advising clients on a spectrum of domestic and international privacy law issues.

Widely recognized as a pioneer in Internet law and a thought leader, Chris is of counsel in the firm's Privacy and Information Management practice. He brings not only a wealth of knowledge and experience to his role at Hogan Lovells but vision as well.

Whether it's Big Data, cloud computing, social media, the Internet of Things, connected cars, online tracking, cross-border transfers of data, or any number of technology-related areas, Chris remains at the forefront of U.S. lawyers with the ability to "think around corners" and see what's ahead.

Plugged in to D.C. policymaking and with an eye on the political landscape, Chris brings insight to clients as a compliance counselor who's focused on risk management while effectively advocating in federal court, at the FTC, and before state agencies.

Washingtonian magazine called him a "Tech Titan," MSNBC "an Internet pioneer," and *Chambers* ranked him a "Star Individual," writing, "The 'amazing' Christopher Wolf is a 'dean of the industry' who is frequently revered as 'the best in the business.'"



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Practices

Privacy and Cybersecurity

Areas of focus

Breach Preparedness, Response, Investigation, and Communications

Corporate and Commercial Transactions

E-discovery and Information Management

Privacy and Cybersecurity Public Policy Counseling and Advocacy

Risk Management, Governance, and Compliance

Workplace Privacy

Chris is also the founder and board president of the Future of Privacy Forum, a think tank devoted to advancing responsible data practices, which has become a leading forum for discussing and developing best practices.

Representative experience

Drafted privacy principles for connected cars.

Formed the Future of Privacy Forum and counseled it as co-chair.

Provided privacy public policy counseling for major internet companies.

Awards and rankings

- Privacy and Data Security (USA), Senior Statesman, *Chambers Global*, 2018
- Privacy & Data Security (Nationwide), Senior Statesman, *Chambers USA*, 2017-2021
- Privacy and Data Security (USA), *Chambers Global*, 2011-2018
- Privacy & Data Security (Nationwide), *Chambers USA*, 2008-2020
- Privacy and Data Security (USA), Star Individual, *Chambers Global*, 2016-2017
- Media, Technology, and Telecoms: Cyber Law (Including Data Protection and Privacy), Hall of Fame, *Legal 500 US*, 2019-2021
- Media, Technology, and Telecoms: Cyber Law (Including Data Protection and Privacy), Leading Lawyer, *Legal 500 US*, 2010-2019
- Privacy & Data Security (Nationwide), Star Individual, *Chambers USA*, 2014-2016
- Lifetime Achievement Award, *Electronic Privacy Information Center*, 2016
- Compassion in Action Award, *Food & Friends*, 2016

Connected Cars

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Washington and Lee University School of Law, magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, 1980

A.B., Bowdoin College, cum laude, 1976

Attended, The London School of Economics and Political Science, 1975

Memberships

Advisor, American Law Institute Project on Information Privacy Principles

Board Member, WETA TV and Radio

Board Member, Young Concert Artists

Co-Chair, Inter-Parliamentary Coalition for Combating Antisemitism Task Force on Internet Hate

Member, Advisory Board, Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC)

Member, Advisory Panel of Experts, The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Working Party on Information Security and Privacy

Member, American Bar Association

Member, American Society of International Law

- 500 Outstanding Lawyers in America, *Lawdragon 500*, 2016
- IAPP Privacy Vanguard Award, *International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)*, 2015
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent (5 out of 5) Rating - In Privacy Law, Internet Law, and Intellectual Property, 2014
- Super Lawyers, 2014
- Washingtonian Magazine Tech Titan, 2013
- Data Protection, *Who's Who Legal of Internet & e-Commerce Lawyers*, 2012
- Best Privacy Advisors, *Computerworld*, 2010
- Burton Award for Excellence in Legal Writing, 2005

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - Our rankings for Chambers USA 2021: Privacy & Data Security
- Press Releases
 - The Global Regulation of Online Hate: A Survey of Applicable Laws
- Published Works
 - Privacy law will become more specialized in 2030 *Visions of Privacy (International Association of Privacy Professionals)*
- Awards and Rankings
 - Hogan Lovells continues growth and recognition in 2019 Legal 500 U.S. rankings
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - International Product Liability Review - Issue 60 *Product Liability Alert, Hogan Lovells, September 2015*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Vehicle Cybersecurity and Privacy Legislation Introduced *Cybersecurity and Privacy Alert*

Member and Past Chair, International Network Against Cyber-Hate (INACH)

Member and Past Chair, Washington, D.C. Regional Governing Board of the Anti-Defamation League

Member and Past President, Food & Friends Board of Directors

Member, Association of the Bar of the City of New York

Member, Board of Advisors, Fordham Law School Center on Law and Information Policy

Member, Cosmos Club

Member, International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)

Member, National Executive Committee of the Anti-Defamation League

Member, The American Law Institute

Member, The Economic Club of Washington, D.C.

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

New York

Court admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

U.S. Court of International Trade

U.S. District Court, District of
Columbia

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of
Wisconsin

U.S. District Court, Northern District
of California

U.S. District Court, Southern District
of New York

U.S. Supreme Court
