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Alysa Austin is an associate with the Privacy & Data Security Team and advises clients on cybersecurity compliance, breach investigations and response, online procedures and policies, and vendor contracts.

After law school, Alysa earned her LL.M. in cyber and national security law and served as a legal extern to the Intellectual Property Group of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of General Counsel. Following her externship with DHS, Alysa worked for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia as an intern for the Hon. Lynn Leibovitz, a law clerk for the Hon. Robert Morin, and then as special counsel to the chief judge.

Alysa has been named a “Rising Star” by the American Bar Association’s Science & Technology Law Section (2016) and serves as vice chair of the section’s Homeland Security Committee.

Representative Experience

- Represented a large manufacturing company involved in an attempted ransomware attack that required a subsequent forensic investigation, advising on relevant legal obligations and strategy and handling several government investigations related to the incident.

Publications & Presentations

Publications

- “Ransomware. Should You Be Worried?” *Radio Ink*, May 16, 2019.
- “Insights from the Women of Cybersecurity,” *The SciTech Lawyer*, American Bar Association, Spring 2016

Professional & Community Engagement

- American Bar Association, Science & Technology Law Section, Homeland Security Committee, vice chair

Education

- Georgetown University (LL.M., 2015)
- University of San Diego (J.D., 2014)
- Point Loma Nazarene University (B.A., 2009)

Admitted to Practice

- California
- District of Columbia
- Virginia

Related Services

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