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OVERVIEW

Daniel Farris is a partner at the firm's Chicago office. He is also a practice group coordinator for the technology transactions and data protection practice group. Daniel is no ordinary geek. As a former software engineer and network administrator, Daniel brings real-world experience to bear in counseling clients on a wide array of technology and compliance issues, including data center operations, fiber optic networking, cloud computing, information governance, emerging technologies, and privacy and data security.

Daniel understands how technology enables a company's operations and creates competitive advantage, and he appreciates the central role that data plays in driving strategic decision-making. His practice is founded upon understanding how technology can strengthen and expand upon the core missions of his clients' businesses. He is a trusted advisor to companies operating in highly regulated industries, such as technology and telecommunications, healthcare, banking and financial services, investment management, insurance, retail and consumer businesses, transportation, manufacturing, and professional services providers. He also counsels startup, embryonic, and emerging growth companies.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Daniel served as the chair of the technology and privacy & data security groups at a national law firm. He also regularly advises and represents clients on "traditional" intellectual property matters, including patent prosecution and enforcement, inbound/outbound licensing, trademark prosecution, brand extension, digital rights management, and large transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Trailblazer in Cybersecurity Law by *National Law Journal* (2017)
- Illinois "Super Lawyer Rising Star" of Technology Transactions (2014-2018)
- "Leading Lawyers Emerging Lawyer" for Computer & Technology Law, IP Law (2016-2018)
- *Corporate LiveWire* Global Award for Cyber Security & Data Privacy Law (2016)

EDUCATION

- J.D., Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 2007
- M.S., DePaul University, 2002
- B.S., DePaul University, 2001 (*magna cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 17 November 2020, Health Care Cybersecurity Attacks - Practical Steps and Legal Considerations to Prepare for, Respond to, and Minimize Risk (*Webinar*)
- 19 September 2019, With CCPA Looming on the Horizon, Congress Continues Its Push for Privacy Legislation (*Alerts/Updates*)

NEWS & EVENTS

- 18 September 2020, K&L Gates Advises Red Ventures on USD \$500 Million Acquisition of CNET Media Group from ViacomCBS (*Noteworthy Work*)
- 17 January 2019, K&L Gates Bolsters Data Privacy, Cybersecurity, and Intellectual Property Practices with Addition of Four-Lawyer Chicago Team (*Press Release, Practice & Regional News*)

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Technology Transactions and Sourcing
- Data Protection, Privacy, and Security