



Data Protection, Privacy and Security

Personal information is an increasingly valuable – and increasingly risky – business asset. As businesses struggle to keep up with the critical, fast-changing data protection laws and face an increasing risk of serious data breaches, DLA Piper is uniquely positioned to help guide clients.

With data protection lawyers around the globe, DLA Piper provides highly sophisticated data management, data security and privacy law advice wherever our clients do business. Our global presence combined with our depth of experience in each region gives clients the important advantage of local knowledge and cultural awareness, combined with consistent, practical advice.

Our team members are very involved in their local compliance culture and maintain close contacts with local regulators in Asia Pacific, Europe and the US. The group has played a major role at the forefront of the development of privacy, data security breach and data security laws around the world. Our data protection team has successfully worked together in recent years to assist more than 100 multinational organizations in the design and implementation of global privacy and security programs including carrying out audit and risk assessments, developing global policies, implementing effective international data transfer strategies, negotiating cloud and other complex international data transfer agreements, and defending dozens of regulator and plaintiff's class action bar enforcement actions.

Core areas include:

- Audits and data mapping
- Compliance programs and policies
- Data subject access and opposition rights
- Data security, data loss prevention and data breaches
- Online and mobile tracking and consumer protection regulation
- E-discovery and investigations management
- Global data transfer management (transfer agreements, BCRs, etc.)
- Incident Response Planning and Execution
- Lobbying and government liaison
- Supervisory authority relations (notifications, authorizations, DPO appointments)
- Whistle-blowing hotlines, employee monitoring and suspect persons screening

EXPERIENCE

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- We provide cutting edge global advice to a leading global mobile chip manufacturer on notice, consent, data transfer, access correction and data retention requirements applicable to rolling out a suite of mobile apps that use device identifier data, location data and offer geo-fencing capabilities. In addition, we have advised the company on Chinese requirements related to storage of data in China, on application of the US COPPA children's privacy rule to the company's technologies and on the US multi-stakeholder negotiations on mobile app short-form privacy notices.
- We designed and advised on the implementation and rollout of a whistleblowing hotline for a leading pharmaceutical company across the European Union. The outcome of this project was a whistleblowing hotline compliant in 29 European countries, with as little modification as possible on a country-by-country basis. The multi-year process involved liaising with counsel in the relevant countries, producing documentation for employees, drafting key agreements between group entities and service providers, and creating internal operational guidance documentation for use in investigations.
- We are the appointed exclusive data protection advisor to the world's largest fashion retailer. The appointment began with a 51-country multi-year compliance audit of all its subsidiaries operating under its 8 global retail brands. This exercise was unique because, in addition to document reviews and interviews, we conducted extensive on-site audits of all operational functions within the organization, such as sales, marketing, online sales, finance and vendor management. The review covered Milan, Paris, Moscow, Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong and Macau.
- We advise a large communications company on privacy compliance issues related to information practice and digital advertising on its cable, internet and telecommunications service and with regard to the company's cyber-security program. We are providing compliance and strategic advice on new proposed data use cases, revisions to their privacy policy and consumer opt-out mechanisms. We are assisting the company before self-regulatory organizations and in responding to congressional and regulator inquiries. We are also providing strategic advice to one of their companies regarding its cyber-security and mobile privacy initiatives and advising the company on data security strategies as well as representing a business unit in an FTC mobile app security investigation.
- We represent a global pharmaceutical company with the rollout of a follow-the-sun customer service response model for product inquiries. The project includes the following activities related to privacy compliance in Latin America, Asia-Pac and Europe: analysis of privacy notice and consent requirements, review of security requirements in a number of Latin American countries, and the drafting, localization and implementation of a global intra-group data transfer agreement for compliance purposes, in order to support the follow-the-sun customer service model.
- Representing a coalition of 20 major communications, Internet, media and retail companies we have helped to draft all of the U.S. state privacy, security and e-commerce legislation that has become law over the past eight years.

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INSIGHTS

Publications

COVID 19 | Legal Task Force Spain: Updated publications

25 May 2020

The coronavirus COVID-19 crisis has no similar precedent in recent times in Europe. The Spanish authorities are doing their best to approve new laws and regulations addressing the challenges created by the crisis. This summary shall not as legal advice, but only as an informative document. Stay attentive to new updates.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

20 May 2020

BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS

California may limit application of securities laws to tokens, French court says bitcoins are fungible assets – plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments.

Latin America digital services tax update

18 May 2020

For businesses that are non-resident digital service providers in Latin America.

Helping patients during the pandemic

14 May 2020

Some important considerations for biopharma manufacturers.

Facial recognition technology: Supporting a sustainable lockdown exit strategy?

8 May 2020

Technology has played a dominant role during the lockdown and will be a key aspect of ensuring the transition back to normality is successful. This article discusses recent trends, particularly in Ireland, Denmark and China, regarding the adoption of facial recognition technology (FRT) as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Israel Group News May 2020

4 May 2020

[ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

Providing access to valuable business resources in real time.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 April 2020

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

Some key considerations for lenders looking to close loans electronically, either in person or remotely, plus latest regulatory, legal and case law developments around eSignatures and ePayments.

Post-COVID-19: What to expect in the "next normal"

30 April 2020

Issues that are front of mind, based on an informal survey of some of the largest companies and most influential global business leaders.

Top of Mind: COVID-19 technology sector insights

28 April 2020

In this time of growing uncertainty, we recognize that many tech businesses are facing significant disruptions and unprecedented challenges arising from the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

Turning downtime into privacy time: COVID-19 privacy review in Canada

24 APR 2020

As many businesses adapt to the current environment imposed by COVID-19, now may be the time for your organization to consider evaluating the state of your privacy and data protection management.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

23 April 2020

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

The FSB report on global stablecoin frameworks and related cryptoassets reflects views inside G20 governments – plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments.

Adapting to a new consumer market

15 April 2020

As consumer-facing businesses consider changes in their business models, avoiding legal pitfalls in some key areas is necessary for a successful transition.

Episode 12: More obligations on Chinese mobile app operators to comply with

9 April 2020

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

Following the crackdown by Chinese authorities against non-compliant mobile apps in late 2019 (please see Episode 8 in this series), the authorities have issued a series of app compliance guidelines (including the Guide to Self-Assess Illegal Collection and Use of Personal Information by Apps, Methods for Identifying Unlawful Acts of Apps to Collect and Use Personal Information, and Draft Specification for Collecting Personal Information in Mobile Applications). These guidelines imposed detailed obligations and practical actions to urge mobile app operators to conduct self-assessments and to rectify any non-compliant data processing practices. Organisations may have noted that some of these guidelines contain conflicting requirements.

HHS issues notification of enforcement discretion under HIPAA for certain uses and disclosures by business associates

7 April 2020

This announcement permits business associates to share personal health information with public health authorities and agencies in accordance with HIPAA exceptions as part of COVID-19 relief efforts.

Coronavirus COVID-19 - IPT Q&A: France

6 April 2020

This Q&A relates to France IPT matters, such as termination right due to force majeure, data privacy, remote work and privacy issues, outsourcing arrangements, business continuity and disaster recovery provisions, suppliers fixed costs, supply chain relationships, impact on RFP processes, and more.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

March/April 2020

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

COVID-19 special edition

Beyond social distancing: What employers need to know to keep their workplaces safe and manage privacy obligations in the face of COVID-19

2 April 2020

Guidance from OSHA, EEO and CDC to help employers seeking to protect the health, safety and privacy of their on-site employees.

EU Data Protection: COVID-19

1 April 2020

The world is facing unprecedented challenges in its fight to contain Coronavirus (COVID-19). Various countries are in lockdown and emergency measures being implemented to contain the pandemic, with European countries currently at the epicentre of the outbreak.

Important updates for British Columbia Public Bodies amidst COVID-19 (Canada)

1 APR 2020

In light of the current and developing COVID-19 circumstances, the following alerts have been released for British Columbia Public Bodies, subject to the Freedom of Information Legislation. One order permits public bodies to use and disclose personal information using tools and cloud services outside of Canada in certain circumstances. Another extends the time for freedom of information responses. Last, organizations are asked to remain vigilant for cyber crime.

UK Supreme Court upholds appeal in class action against Morrisons

1 April 2020

Today the Supreme Court allowed an appeal in *Morrisons v Various Claimants*, a significant class action decision addressing the extent of an employers' liability for data breaches maliciously committed by an employee.

Coronavirus: Cybersecurity considerations for your newly remote workforce (United States)

31 March 2020

Cyber risk management involves balancing the productivity of a workforce with ensuring confidentiality, integrity and availability of the company's own systems and data, as well as that of their supply chain.

Hoverboard dispute: novel issues for Federal Circuit and Commission

30 March 2020

The Commission and the Federal Circuit are grappling with a novel issue in the latest phase of a long-running dispute over hoverboards.

Are you ready for CCPA class action litigation?

30 March 2020

Many businesses may not have fully contemplated the major data breach class action litigation risk created by the California Consumer Privacy Act.

Episode 11: Important clarifications and changes to China's data privacy standards

27 March 2020

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Important updates to China's de facto data privacy regulations will come into force on 1 October 2020. The amendments to the Personal Information Security Specification (PIS Specification) comprise important clarifications rather than substantial changes to the existing regulations.

Coronavirus: Cyber hygiene practices

25 March 2020

While the world is responding to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), and individuals are increasingly focused on personal hygiene and social distancing, augmenting cyber hygiene efforts at home and at work are increasing in importance too.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

25 March 2020

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

The age of viral outbreaks – key contract considerations in a post-COVID-19 world, plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments around blockchain and digital transformation.

Episode 10: Stricter data localisation and security rules for financial and insurance data in China

06 Mar 2020

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The People's Bank of China has released new guidelines on the collection and processing of personal financial information (PFI Guidelines), which provide much-needed clarity on how personal financial information in China should be processed, secured, and transferred. While the PFI Guidelines do not impose an outright ban on personal financial information leaving China, mandatory compliance steps (including consent and impact assessments) must be taken.

Europe initiates regulations on artificial intelligence; industry presented with opportunity to provide inputs

5 March 2020

[AI OUTLOOK](#)

The White Paper on AI initiates a process that could potentially establish the world's first far-reaching regulatory framework for AI.

PropTech in the United States – where we're heading

2 March 2020

PROPTech INSIGHTS

The legal implications of operating smart buildings.

Important changes proposed to Hong Kong's data protection law

27 February 2020

Any organisation processing Hong Kong personal data must plan ahead to anticipate significant new compliance obligations requirements. These are proposed in a recent consultation paper to amend Hong Kong's Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (PDPO), and would – if passed – constitute the first changes to the PDPO since 2012.

Opportunities arising from Asia's data protection frameworks (AsiaPac)

14 February 2020

The media controversy surrounding China's coronavirus COVID-19 detection app, the "close contact detector," has highlighted a common misapprehension about how data protection law is universally applied around the world.

Italy's new Digital Services Tax is now in force

11 February 2020

Not all digital services will be taxed – only those entailing a high degree of users' involvement in value generation.

Israel Group News February 2020

10 February 2020

ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

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Foreign ITAR cloud storage now permitted

4 February 2020

This may provide ITAR-registered companies some flexibility with the virtual storage and transmission of their technical data, but using non-US based cloud storage is still not without risk.

OECD statement of Digital Tax Initiative highlights progress, sets timeline for consensus – key points on Pillar One and Pillar Two

3 February 2020

The development of a new taxing right is a major initiative, and the OECD continues to work at a brisk pace.

Argentina suspends Promotional Regime of the Knowledge-based Economy

28 January 2020

The regime aims to promote digital, information and communication technologies and the highly skilled human capital that creates and advances those technologies.

EU MDCG issues new guidance on Cybersecurity for medical devices

27 January 2020

On 7 January 2020, the EU Medical Device Coordination Group published new guidance to help manufacturers fulfil all relevant cybersecurity requirements in Annex I to the new Medical Device Regulations (Regulations 2017/745 on medical devices and 2017/746 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices).

DLA Piper GDPR Data Breach Survey 2020

20 January 2020

According to DLA Piper's latest GDPR Data Breach Survey, data protection regulators have imposed EUR114 million (approximately USD126 million / GBP97 million) in fines under the GDPR regime for a wide range of GDPR infringements, not just for data breaches.

France, Germany and Austria top the rankings for the total value of GDPR fines imposed with just over EUR51 million, EUR24.5 million and EUR18 million respectively. The Netherlands, Germany and the UK topped the table for the number of data breaches notified to regulators with 40,647, 37,636 and 22,181 notifications each.

Episode 9: 2020 - Privacy, Security and Content Regulation to Increase in China

10 January 2020

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China's authorities have published a much-anticipated brand new directive on internet content regulation and governance, which will come into force on 1 March 2020. This law will require organizations which host websites in China to make fundamental changes to their website governance frameworks.

Commerce imposes export licensing requirement on geospatial imagery software

8 January 2020

Companies that produce, design, test, manufacture, fabricate, or develop a software described in the new controls may now be operating within the category of "critical technologies" as defined in CFIUS regulations.

CCPA Rescue Kit arrives amid new privacy law change

19 December 2019

A series of integrated compliance offerings to help businesses begin the journey of compliance with this important new privacy bill.

It's no secret: Trade secret misappropriation investigations are on the rise

19 December 2019

Exploring the reasons for the increase in these ITC investigations

Stricter outsourcing rules for Singapore's banking sector

13 December 2019

Banks and credit card providers in Singapore should consider updating their outsourcing arrangements in anticipation of stricter new laws. Singapore's Government has proposed new powers to regulate more closely the outsourcing arrangements of banks and credit card providers regulated by the MAS, and to impose stricter sanctions.

Congressional hearing to focus on facial recognition and national security

12 December 2019

AI OUTLOOK

Technologies controlled by foreign governments and their implications for privacy and national security are expected to be a major topic.

Corporations need to remain vigilant amidst the rise of cyberattacks and cyberfrauds

2 December 2019

Recent figures show that Hong Kong and China remain the top destinations of fraudulent funds, most of which are the result of cyberfrauds. Read our article which gives helpful tips on how to avoid falling victim to these attacks.

Israel Group News November 2019

18 November 2019

In this issue, IP considerations in augmented reality and virtual reality, plus our global activities, latest publications, coming events and more.

Episode 8: Crackdown on infringing China apps

13 November 2019

NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY

China's authorities have launched a crackdown against non-compliant mobile apps. The crackdown is taking place during November and December 2019, so businesses operating apps in China must take urgent action or else face sanctions.

Hong Kong's SFC introduces strict conditions on cloud data storage

8 November 2019

All entities licensed by the Hong Kong SFC and storing data in the cloud must urgently review their data storage arrangements in light of a new circular from the SFC on "Use of external electronic data storage". This circular introduces strict new conditions on both cloud users and cloud vendors.

Episode 7: New China encryption law passed

6 November 2019

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The new PRC Encryption Law will come into force on 1 January 2020. It will bring fundamental changes to the sale, import and use of encryption technologies in China by foreign and domestic organizations.

Episode 6: Further developments in PRC data privacy regulations

1 November 2019

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An updated draft of China's Amended Personal Information Security Specification (Amended PIS Specification) and proposed new amendments to the privacy specification for mobile apps (App Privacy Specification) were published this week, alongside brand new draft regulations for the banking sector.

Lloyd v Google: A good day for claimant lawyers; a bad day for Google and organisations defending privacy group litigation

3 October 2019

On 2 October 2019 the Court of Appeal allowed an appeal in *Lloyd v Google*, a significant case in the continued evolution of the UK class action and data protection regimes.

With great influence comes great responsibility: potential liabilities in the growing influencer marketplace

30 Sep 2019

What responsibility, if any, falls on the influencer for social media product endorsements?

The Russian Supreme Court clarifies intellectual property legislation

30 Sep 2019

Clarifications from the Supreme Court have a significant impact on the further development of court practice in Russia.

EU's right to be forgotten, but only in Europe?

25 September 2019

[PRIVACY MATTERS](#)

In a landmark decision, the European Court of Justice has sided with Google over a claim by the French supervisory authority regarding the application of the so-called right to be forgotten.

A guide to the General Data Protection Regulation [Updated for 2019]

17 September 2019

On 4 May 2016, the text of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) was published in the Official Journal of the European Union, concluding over four years of intensive legislative work on a new data protection legal framework for Europe.

No-deal Brexit: Impact on data protection law

1 September 2019

While a range of outcomes, including [a departure under the terms of the current Withdrawal Agreement](#), remains possible, it is important for businesses to plan for a no-deal Brexit, in which the UK leaves the EU without a withdrawal agreement or other deal. Here we look at the potential impact of a no-deal Brexit and the adoption of the Withdrawal Agreement on data protection compliance

Israel Group News August 2019

7 August 2019

ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

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Changes in electronic communications and digital marketing – revised proposal for the ePrivacy Regulation

1 August 2019

PRIVACY MATTERS

On 26 July 2019, at the level of the Council, the Finnish government has issued a revised (Council) proposal for the e-Privacy Regulation with some amendments concerning electronic communication content, data & metadata, and further processing of metadata.

FTC announces Cambridge Analytica settlement

25 July 2019

A sign that the FTC may be stepping up its pursuit of individual liability in addition to corporate liability.

FTC unfriends Facebook

25 July 2019

The FTC order imposes new penalties and requirements on Facebook.

The government in your cloud

24 July 2019

As companies shift more data to the cloud, the US government's ability to access that content should not be overlooked.

Episode 5: Apps are being shut down in China - will yours be next?

12 July 2019

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While apps are incredibly popular in China, in recent months some have been disappearing from app stores in the country because they do not comply with recent apps regulations. Indeed many companies are not even aware of the comprehensive new privacy compliance obligations for apps in China.

Episode 4: Getting data out of China - the challenge of operating your China business offshore

26 June 2019

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An updated and substantially more onerous draft of China's long awaited position on cross border data transfers has just been published. The Measures on Personal Information Cross Border Transfer Security Assessment (Measures) apply to all "Network Operators" and will require specific action to be taken by all businesses that send personal information out of China.

Who's that bot? California requires clear disclosure starting 7/1/2019

20 June 2019

A California law attempts to tackle the problem of automated online accounts that simulate conversation – and that are used to confuse or deceive.

Episode 3: Yet more regulators join the party in enforcing cybersecurity

4 June 2019

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Licensed telcos and internet businesses in China face a new wave of investigations by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) as they announce a new enforcement campaign aimed at ensuring network security compliance.

Episode 2: New stringent cyber security rules announced in China, what will your business need to do?

29 May 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

Organisations with operations in China must prepare now for new comprehensive cybersecurity rules. The Chinese authorities have announced MLPS "version 2.0", which will come into force on 1 December 2019, and have potential significant impact to businesses' infrastructure and operations in China.

Singapore data security - Recent incidents and compliance steps you

23 May 2019

Organisations handling Singapore personal data should re-evaluate their data security compliance programmes in light of recent regulatory scrutiny and enforcement action.

Episode 1: Cyber enforcement starts

21 May 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

China's cybersecurity regulators are now taking their first steps to verify organisations' (including foreign businesses') compliance with China's cybersecurity laws. As anticipated, the focus is on businesses that have an online presence in China.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) May 2019

15 MAY 2019

[INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS](#)

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) is our biannual publication designed to report on worldwide development in intellectual property and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

Israel Group News May 2019

9 MAY 2019

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CCPA vs. GDPR: the same, only different

11 APR 2019

Businesses that have undertaken GDPR compliance will have an advantage in addressing CCPA, but those efforts alone won't suffice.

New Year, New Regulations: Cyberspace Administration of China launches new blockchain regulatory framework

4 MAR 2019

You may need to comply with new regulations if you use Blockchain technology to conduct your business in mainland China. The "Regulations for Managing Blockchain Information Service" take effect on 15 February 2019. The new regulations encourage Blockchain industry organisations to enhance self-discipline and establish sound industry standards.

Data privacy law: the top global developments in 2018 and what 2019 may bring

25 FEB 2019

In 2018, the world saw numerous significant privacy law developments, a trend that is continuing in 2019.

Explainability: where AI and liability meet

25 FEB 2019

Makers and users of AI face a new and interesting problem: what is the acceptable tradeoff between explanation and accuracy?

Sharpen your pencils: California AG's Office announces start of its important CCPA pre-rulemaking and schedule for issuing its important CCPA rules

13 FEB 2019

Because the CCPA is littered with drafting errors and confusing definitions, this AG rulemaking is extremely important.

Israel Group News

12 FEB 2019

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In this issue, the rise of the Data Protection Officer, plus news and coming events.

Keeping watch on smartphone app payments in China

7 FEB 2019

Now could be a good time to think about the level of transparency your company may have in connection with smartphone app payments by your employees.

California Consumer Privacy Act: what's new for retailers?

23 JAN 2019

Particular features of the CCPA affect the retail industry in unique ways.

DOJ reverses its 2011 Opinion, concludes Wire Act prohibitions “sweep beyond sports gambling”

18 JAN 2019

An opinion that will have a significant effect on the Internet gaming and lottery industries.

12th Annual Women in IP Law Seminar on patents and big data

21 DEC 2018

DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology group hosted its twelfth annual Women in IP Law CLE Luncheon at the Four Seasons Silicon Valley in November.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

20 DEC 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, digitally transforming your business – the year's big legal and regulatory developments and breaking news.

Top of mind: Litigation

10 DEC 2018

Our coverage of big compliance, enforcement and litigation issues that businesses are thinking about this quarter.

The European Data Protection Board issues long-awaited guidelines on the territorial scope of the GDPR

30 NOV 2018

Among other provisions, the Guidelines concern GDPR's application to entities in the EU even when they process personal data of persons outside the EU.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 NOV 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, a fintech Q&A with the team, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts

Spanish government to introduce new digital services tax

1 NOV 2018

The proposed DST will apply only when the user's digital devices are located in Spain.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

26 OCT 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, obtaining remote epayment authorizations from customers – are you in compliance? Plus the latest legislative and regulatory news.

How blockchain, Internet of Things and smart contracts improve the supply chain

27 SEP 2018

Incorporating three key technologies into the supply chain can significantly improve profitability while reducing risk.

Embedding content: uncertainty about the Copyright Statute undermines digital media

27 SEP 2018

Companies creating digital content have to more carefully weigh the potential risks of embedding copyrighted content into their sites.

Argentina introduces VAT on digital services

24 SEP 2018

VAT is triggered by the "digital services" rendered by a non-resident to a resident individual or entity, when the effective use or exploitation of the service takes place inside Argentina.

Four tips for an effective eDiscovery plan in China

19 SEP 2018

A timely and well-documented eDiscovery plan, comprehensively addressing compliance with local laws, can also go a long way to address potential post-collection inquiries.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

14 SEP 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, remote notarization – US state requirements, plus blockchain, the new stablecoin, the validity of esignatures, and more.

Electronic Signatures: The element of intent in the digital environment

23 JUL 2018

Failure to establish intent means that while the person's actions may manifest assent to, or agreement with, a record, the record has not been signed.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

23 JUL 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

This regular publication from DLA Piper aims to help companies identify significant news and legal developments impacting digital transactions.

The GDPR's impact on internal investigations

10 JUL 2018

The impact of the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation on corporate internal investigations and criminal and civil litigation – both within the EU and abroad – has received little attention. Here, we take a look at the GDPR's privacy requirements through the lens of internal investigations and litigation.

Super-apps complicate corporate compliance, pose heightened risks under FCPA Corporate Enforcement Policy

10 JUL 2018

Super-apps allow seamless interaction between colleagues, customers, suppliers and other business parties. In some jurisdictions, local employees communicate exclusively via such apps – but this conduct presents grave legal, compliance and risk-management challenges.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

29 JUN 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, is your website ADA compliant? Plus news on federal and state law, federal and state regulatory activities, fresh judicial precedent and more.

Is your website ADA compliant? A brief look at the current legal status

29 JUN 2018

Websites too face regulatory issues around compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other rules involving accessibility and accommodation.

FinTech Collaboration Brochure

28 JUN 2018

An overview of the disruption brought about by FinTech and how financial institutions are looking to leverage the increased choice, agility and innovation these alternatives to the traditional financial offerings bring.

Online gaming and gambling are changing

28 JUN 2018

Two recent federal court decisions have disrupted the online and mobile gaming and gambling industry in the United States. Shifts are taking place in other jurisdictions as well.

Israel and GDPR: Processors take note

28 JUN 2018

Andrew Dyson authored the Privacy and Data Protection chapter in the *IsraelDesks International Legal Guide 2018*.

California privacy law poised to alter US privacy landscape

28 JUN 2018

A major development in privacy law.

South Dakota v. Wayfair: SCOTUS overturns Quill, permitting states to require Internet sellers to collect sales and use tax

25 JUN 2018

Taxpayers should expect a proliferation of state sales and use tax nexus provisions in the near future.

Russia's new VAT rules on cross-border e-commerce services: key points for B2B service providers

14 JUN 2018

Russia has introduced new value-added tax (VAT) rules pertaining to certain cross-border e-commerce services.

US companies: EU data regulation means new oversight

2 DEC 2015

Many US companies are about to experience new regulatory oversight.

Landmark privacy ruling in Europe on the right to be forgotten

26 JUN 2014

European Court of Justice: search engines must remove the link between search results and a web page if it contains information an individual deems should be "forgotten"

Blockchain - a revolution for the insurance sector with some risks

9 MAR 2017

Blockchain is "the most important invention since the Internet itself" according to Marc Andreessen. And there is no doubt that there are huge potentials for the insurance sector to exploit such technology, but as any new technology, it will also lead to new legal risks.

EU: new obligations for digital services providers and operators of essential services

28 JUN 2016

In line with the EU's broader Cyber Security Strategy, the NIS Directive is a significant step towards a more secure cross-border cyberspace with a high shared level of network and information system security.

The blockchain revolution, smart contracts and financial transactions

26 APR 2016

Blockchain-based smart contracts have enormous potential to streamline financial transactions and reduce counterparty risks.

Plan now to use off-band communications during an incident response: key points

27 OCT 2015

A robust IR plan should include communications techniques that operate outside regular company communication methods.

Information security obligations for Australian businesses under the Privacy Act: A reminder from the OAIC

14 MAY 2013

At the launch of this year's Privacy Awareness Week on 29 April 2013, the OAIC released its new Guide to Information Security: 'Reasonable steps to protect personal information' ("**Guide**"). The Guide aims to assist Australian businesses and those carrying on business in Australia to interpret the continuing requirement under the Privacy Act (both under the current and the amended law) to "take reasonable steps" to protect the personal information they hold.

Law à la Mode

20 SEP 2012

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New partner joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in London

27 May 2020

DLA Piper is appointing Sophie Lessar as partner to its Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) Practice in London. She joins on 1 June.

New partner joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in London

1 May 2020

DLA Piper is appointing Deborah Bould as partner to its Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) Practice in London, joining on 11th May.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020 in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

DLA Piper advises Bajaj Auto on long-term collaboration with Triumph Motorcycles

13 February 2020

DLA Piper advised Bajaj Auto India, the world's third-largest motorcycle manufacturer, on a long term collaboration, manufacturing, and distribution arrangement with Triumph Motorcycles.

DLA Piper advises Guala Closures Group on the acquisition of the assets of Germany's Closurelogic

6 January 2020

DLA Piper has advised the Guala Closures Group, one of the world leaders in the production of security closures for spirits and aluminium closures for wines, as well as one of the major world producer and distributor of aluminium closures for the beverage industry, on the acquisition of the activities of Closurelogic GmbH, the German producer specialised in the aluminium closures.

Financial Times ranks DLA Piper among the most innovative law firms in Europe

13 September 2019

DLA Piper has been recognised as one of the top 10 most innovative law firms in Europe at the Financial Times' 2019 European Innovative Lawyers report, an annual ranking assessing lawyers on their innovation both for clients and in their own businesses.

DLA Piper advises Tirona on the acquisition of a stake in CashCape

5 September 2019

DLA Piper has advised Tirona Ltd. on the acquisition of a 25 percent stake in the fintech app CashCape.

DLA Piper continues Irish expansion with appointment of four new partners

4 September 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of four new partners to its recently opened Dublin office into four key practice areas of Finance and Projects (F&P), Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT), Tax and Real Estate. The new partners will be joined by three legal directors, as part of the firm's ongoing expansion in Ireland.

DLA Piper advises Bauer Media on acquisition of Camilyo Online Ltd.

5 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised Bauer Media Group on the acquisition of Israeli Camilyo Online Ltd., a provider of online-based white-labeled services for online-service provider and their small and medium businesses-clients. The transaction is the second recent acquisition by Bauer Media Group of a provider of online-based white-labeled services and part of Bauer Media Group's new business growth strategy in its business area in SME marketing and sales services.

DLA Piper advises Allianz Real Estate on the acquisition of EDGE Hafencity in Hamburg

2 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised Allianz Real Estate on its acquisition of the office property EDGE Hafencity as part of an off-market forward deal. EDGE Hafencity Hamburg will be a 15-storey building with a total lettable area of approximately 22,500 sqm.

DLA Piper to advise ITW Global Leaders' Forum on blockchain-based telecoms platform

2 July 2019

DLA Piper has been appointed to advise the ITW (International Telecoms Week) Global Leaders' Forum (GLF) on the launch of a special purpose vehicle that will develop a live, blockchain-based platform.

DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce on acquisition of Siemens' eAircraft business

21 June 2019

DLA Piper has advised Rolls-Royce plc on the acquisition of Siemens' electric and hybrid-electric aerospace propulsion activities, eAircraft. The acquisition will accelerate the delivery of Rolls-Royce's electrification strategy and boost its ambition to play a major role in the "third era" of aviation. The completion of the transaction is expected in late 2019, following a period of employee consultation.

DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

DLA Piper successfully defends Samsung Electronics against Dyson

29 MAR 2019

DLA Piper acted on behalf of Samsung Electronics GmbH to lift a temporary injunction obtained by Dyson AG in January 2018 from the District Court of Düsseldorf. The injunction prohibited Samsung from making certain advertising statements for battery-powered vacuum cleaners. As some of the prohibited statements were also on the packaging this led to a de facto ban on the sale for the battery-powered vacuum cleaner.

DLA Piper hosts leading business and diplomacy conference

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper's London office has hosted the Annual Conference of the International Diplomatic and Business Exchange (IBDE).

DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

DLA Piper joins Governing Council for Hedera Hashgraph

20 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has joined the initial group of Governing Council members for Hedera Hashgraph, a next-generation public ledger designed to have highly diversified governance and the most distributed consensus at scale. The announcement was made at Hedera Hashgraph's first annual summit in Seoul, Korea.

As part of the council, DLA Piper will help oversee changes to the software run by millions of Hedera distributed nodes over time. The governing council has been established to ensure stability and guaranteed continued decentralization to the Hedera Hashgraph distributed public ledger.

DLA Piper bolsters Data Protection practice

4 FEB 2019

DLA Piper in Germany has hired Intellectual Property & Technology of counsel Prof Dr Jürgen Taeger, who joined the firm's Cologne office with effect from 1 February 2019.

DLA Piper expands new Dublin office with four-partner hire

9 JAN 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of four new partners from highly-regarded Irish firms to its newly opened Dublin office into four key practice areas of Finance and Projects (F&P), Corporate, Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) and Employment. These hires follow the appointment of Corporate partner David Carthy as Ireland Country Managing Partner in May 2018.

Technology sector poised for big data wave in finance and sales departments – DLA Piper European Tech Index

12 DEC 2018

Harnessing big data is becoming standard practice for IT and marketing teams in technology, but DLA Piper's 2018 Tech Index reveals that a revolution may now be underway in finance and sales departments as well. Responses from 350 tech sector senior executives in Europe indicate that compared to 2016, organizations are increasingly identifying new opportunities in these additional departments, indicating a move towards widespread adoption of big data in the tech sector.

Consulting

DLA Piper's Data Protection, Privacy and Security practice enhances its legal skills with the addition of highly experienced certified risk, privacy, security and cybersecurity professionals, among them Rena Mears, former head of one of the largest Big 4 privacy and data protection advisory practices, who provide consultancy services to our global clients. Advising on practical implementation of legal advice; structuring privacy programs and related control environments; benchmarking; best practice identification; and cybersecurity risk mitigation, the consultants work with our highly ranked privacy and breach response lawyers as a single, integrated privacy team to provide a joint and comprehensive legal and consulting approach to data risk, privacy, cyber and security projects. This approach is a significant differentiator from other large firms, and it has been recognized by notable rankings entities, including BTI Consulting Group, which recently placed the DLA Piper Cybersecurity practice among the Top 7 cybersecurity law firm practices in the United States.

DLA Piper consultants have years of practical experience and maintain a wide variety of relevant certifications. Their ranks include Certified Information Security Professionals (CISSPs); Certified Information Privacy Professionals (CIPPs); and Certified Information Systems Auditors (CISAs). Our experienced consultants are on the front lines of assessing, developing and implementing innovative data risk, privacy and security solutions for some of the world's largest and most geographically diverse companies. We are thought leaders in the field and frequently appear on panels and contribute to industry publications. Our consultants are actively involved in the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP), International Information System Security Certification Consortium (ISC2), and other professional certifying bodies that carry continuing education requirements.

COMPREHENSIVE LEGAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES

DLA Piper's Data Protection, Privacy and Security team covers the full cybersecurity service delivery lifecycle

- compliance and operational risk assessments and identification
 - program, policy and operational design
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- compliance solution testing and implementation and
- training program development.

We bring sector-specific, globally focused data privacy and protection experience in such areas as compliance and control assessment, cross-border data transfer enablement, incident response and vendor management.

TESTED METHODOLOGIES

We have developed an agile and repeatable approach to deliver data privacy and security transformation projects. This methodology has been used for more than a decade and has continued to evolve and respond to changes in the market such as agile development methodologies and the rise of cloud based architecture models, among others.

Our consultants advise clients on, among other things:

- data mapping exercises, gap assessment and remediation
- the practical adoption of our firm's legal advice
- benchmarking and industry best practice identification
- incident preparedness
- incident response planning
- the structuring of privacy and compliance programs
- cybersecurity risk mitigation and
- training program development.

Some of our solutions include:

- Project management tools and techniques
- Regulatory and legislative monitoring tools
- Matter management technology solutions
- Privacy assessment and scoring tools
- Customized training programs
- Client communications and continuing education programs

THE RARE BENEFIT OF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT UNDER PRIVILEGE

DLA Piper has developed a program delivery approach that focuses on putting in place critical protections from moment one. This approach includes protections companies often overlook in the development and implementation of their programs – not least, building in measures to preserve attorney-client privilege (such as for third-party forensics). We offer a single, integrated delivery team of lawyers and consultants that maximizes attorney-client privilege while providing both legal and operational insights.