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Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection
Compliance with Privacy & Data Protection
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Cybersecurity Disputes
Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Claire is an experienced privacy, AI and cybersecurity lawyer who partners with organizations to navigate the increasingly complex global privacy, cybersecurity and AI regulatory landscape.

As part of her data privacy practice, Claire provides strategic counselling and advice on privacy, digital innovation, AI governance, and online safety matters to clients across many industries (retail, gaming, ecommerce, mobile apps, social media, financial services, and technology), including how to mitigate risks associated with the collection, use, retention, disclosure, transfer and disposal of personal information.

Claire's AI regulatory experience includes assisting clients with:

- Developing internal AI governance frameworks aligned with emerging Canadian and international requirements.
- Conducting AI risk assessments for high-risk or automated decision-making systems
- Designing policies and controls for employee use of generative AI tools.
- Advising on procurement and contracting for AI-enabled technologies .
- Responding to regulator inquiries involving automated decision-making or algorithmic harms.

Claire also has deep experience as a trusted advisor to clients in crisis management and has acted on some of Canada's most high-profile privacy regulatory investigations at the provincial and federal levels. In the event of a security incident, Claire helps organizations respond, guiding them through investigation, remediation, notification and any ensuing regulatory investigations and inquiries.

Claire is called to the bar in Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta, providing her with a unique national perspective on regulatory compliance matters.

Beyond her regular commercial practice, Claire has become well known as a leading Canadian legal professional in the area of intimate privacy, deepfake technology, and online harms. Her work in this space increasingly intersects with AI regulation, particularly in relation to synthetic media, non-consensual deepfakes, and technology-facilitated abuse.

Most recently, she has acted as an expert advisor to B.C.'s Civil Resolutions Tribunal (Canada's first online tribunal tasked with expediting the process by which targets of nonconsensual distribution of intimate images may seek civil recourse under B.C.'s Intimate Images Protection Act) and the Women's Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF)'s Technology-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence Commission. She is also the founder of a non-profit (The Intimate Privacy Project), which provides practical and legal resources to targets of online harassment to help enhance access to justice in this area of law.

In 2024, Claire was shortlisted for a national privacy law award by PICCASO Canada for her contributions in this developing area of Canadian privacy law.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Canada's Protecting Privacy and Consumer Data Act (Bill C-36): BLG's guide", BLG Article, June 2026
- Author, "Canada moves to regulate online safety: Understanding the Safe Social Media Act (Bill C-34)", BLG Article, June 2026
- Author, "Data sovereignty and the CLOUD Act: What Canadian organizations should know", BLG Article, April 2026
- Author, "Beyond BC: Court of Appeal upholds broad reach of provincial privacy laws", BLG Article, March 2026
- Author, "OSFI responds to the growing use of AI: Key updates to guideline E-23", BLG Article, November 2025
- Author, "Alberta judgment opens the door to the legitimization of data scraping and AI model training", BLG Article, June 2025
- Speaker, "Cyber Case Study: Stolen Research & Development," 2022 HTCIA Canada Cyber Summit, May 2022
- Author, "The extraterritorial reach of B.C.'s privacy laws: Court upholds privacy commissioner's order against foreign AI company", BLG Article, March 2025
- Quoted, "Wearable tech gives sports teams more info. What will they do with it?," The Globe and Mail, January 2025
- Speaker, "Common Pitfalls and Lessons Learned from the IR Front Lines," Information Technology Forum Annual Conference, March 2024
- Speaker, "Information Sharing, Privacy & Consent," National Insurance Fraud Summit, February 2024
- Speaker, "Crisis Leadership: Moving from Reaction to Response and Instilling Trust through Leadership," Women General Counsel Canada (WGCC), February 2024
- Speaker, "The Role of Legal Privilege and Information Sharing in the Context of Cyber Incident Response," RCMP Cyber Crimes Summit, February 2024
- Speaker, "Intimate Privacy and B.C.'s New Intimate Images Protection Act: Key Considerations for Counsel Representing Targets of Non-Consensual Distribution of Intimate Images", Canadian Bar Association BC Privacy Law Conference, January 2024

- Speaker, “The Future of Privacy Law in Canada,” 25th Annual Vancouver International Privacy & Cybersecurity Summit, March 2023
- Speaker, “Privacy Considerations in the Context of the Fight Against Illicit Finance,” 360 By Deloitte, October 2022
- Speaker, “Exploring the Law of Non-Consensual Disclosure of Intimate Images,” Peter A. Allard School of Law, February 2022

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- West Coast Regional Representative, CAN-TECH’s Women in Technology Committee
- Expert Legal Advisor, LEAF’s Technology-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence Commission
- Expert Legal Advisor, B.C. Civil Resolutions Tribunal
- Executive member, Privacy & Access to Information Law Section, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, British Columbia Bar Association
- Member, Alberta Bar Association
- Member, Ontario Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Vice President, Board of Directors of Ballet Vancouver
- Mentor, Girls E-Mentorship (GEM)
- Founder, The Intimate Privacy Project
- Member, Egirls Project

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2027 edition (and since 2026) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* (Privacy and Data Security Law)
- Recognized in the 2026 edition of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Data Privacy & Cybersecurity)
- Recognized in the 2026 edition of *Lexpert Special Edition: Technology*
- Shortlisted for the Outstanding Privacy Lawyer Award, PICCASO Canada, April 2024

Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 2021
- Alberta, 2021
- Ontario, 2016

- CIPP/C, International Association of Privacy Professionals, 2022
- JD, University of Ottawa, 2015
- Laws of the European Union Exchange Program, University of Vienna, 2015
- BA, Political Science & Psychology, Western University, 2012
- Politics of the European Union, Vesalius College (Brussels), 2011

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