



Allison Spears

ASSOCIATE

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OVERVIEW

Allison Spears is an Associate in the Litigation Department at McDonald Hopkins and part of the firm's national Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Practice Group. Her practice focuses on providing incident response services and breach coaching to institutions experiencing malware, ransomware, business email compromise, or paper record incidents to assist in data security and compliance obligations. Allison has experience advising clients on incident response, communicating on behalf of clients with federal law enforcement, preparing breach notification materials to individuals and regulators, and responding to state and federal investigations that result from an incident. She also has experience communicating on behalf of clients with forensic vendors to assist in investigation and mitigation measures to restore systems back to regular business operations.

Allison earned her J.D. from Wake Forest University School of Law and her Bachelor of Science in neuroscience from the University of Kentucky.

Practice Focus

Data privacy and cybersecurity

Credentials

EDUCATION

Wake Forest University School of Law

University of Kentucky, magna cum laude

ADMISSIONS – COURT

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky

ADMISSIONS – STATE

Kentucky

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Professional & Civic

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Hearing and Speech Center, Board of Directors (Present)

Veterans Advocacy Legal Organization, Community Outreach Coordinator (2021-2022)

Domestic Violence Awareness Coalition, Community Outreach Coordinator (2021-2022)

Healthcare Advocacy Pro Bono Project, Co-Coordinator (2020-2022)

News & Insights

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McDonald Hopkins welcomes Allison Spears to national data privacy and cybersecurity team