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Christian advises clients on data privacy and complex commercial matters. His experience includes working closely with companies to develop data privacy compliance programs, advising on privacy matters arising in commercial transactions, responding to data security incidents, conducting internal investigations, and assisting with data privacy and complex commercial litigation.

Christian's deep involvement in pro bono matters is inspired by his passion for providing legal representation to individuals currently and formerly incarcerated. He has assisted with a Section 1983 claim against a prison and prepared expungement filings as part of the Firm's CEASE initiative. He has also represented low-income individuals in divorce proceedings and assisted in the preparation of claims for asylum.

Prior to joining Winston, Christian was a judicial intern for the Honorable Michael H. Watson of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. Christian also externed at a local public defender's office during law school where he prepared legal memoranda concerning state-law criminal issues, visited regularly with clients, attended plea negotiations with state prosecutors, and assisted with preparations for various court proceedings.

In 2018, Christian participated in an intensive Mandarin study as a Boren Scholar at the International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University. He has professional working proficiency in French and basic

proficiency in Chinese.

Recent Experience

Winston Represented Integrated Openings Solutions in its Acquisition of Atlass Hardware

Winston Represented Whitsons Culinary Group in its Acquisition of Fresh Picks Café

Global Hydrogen Energy Completes Business Combination with Dune Acquisition Corporation

Frontenac Acquisition of Integrated Openings Solutions

ISG Enterprises Acquisition of Rose

ISG Enterprises Acquisition of Apple

Hendrickson Acquisition of Brunner International

ISG Enterprises Acquisition of Sunnyside

The Sterling Group Creation of Compost360 and Acquisition of Nature's Choice

EFC International's Acquisition of Inventory Sales Co.

Activities

Christian is a member of the International Association of Privacy Professionals and is a Certified Information Privacy Professional (CIPP/US certificate).

Credentials

EDUCATION

Christian received his J.D., *cum laude*, from the Georgetown University Law Center in 2021, where he was the executive online editor at the *Georgetown Law Journal* and a Pro Bono Pledge Honoree. He also received the Journal's "Meritorious Service Award." He received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, in political science and French studies from The Ohio State University in 2018, where he was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society and a Boren Scholar.

ADMISSIONS

- Illinois

LANGUAGES

- French

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Texas AG Sues Facebook to Enforce Biometric Privacy Law

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