

McDonald Hopkins named a finalist for Advisen's 2017 Cyber Risk Awards



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CLEVELAND (April 24, 2017) – McDonald Hopkins LLC has been nominated by Advisen as a finalist for their 2017 Cyber Risk Awards in the category of Cyber Law Firm of the Year. The firm's national data privacy and cybersecurity team, which was previously nominated as a finalist for Advisen's 2015 Cyber Risk Awards in the category of Cyber Risk Pre-Breach Team of the Year, is led by [James J. Giszczak](#) and [Dominic A. Paluzzi](#). Voting is now open through May 19, 2017, via Advisen's [online ballot](#). The winners will be announced on June 14, 2017, at the Grand Hyatt New York.

The Advisen Cyber Risk Awards are selected by "People's Choice" and leverage Advisen's vast contact database of over 40,000 Property and Casualty professionals who focus on cyber risk. The newly created category of Cyber Law Firm of the Year will honor a law firm that has shown excellence in all areas of preparing for and responding to cyber events. This year will mark the 4th annual Cyber Risk Awards.

"Breaches can have devastating effects to your bottom line and your reputation," said Giszczak.

"Unfortunately, no industry or business is immune from cybersecurity incidents, which is why you need a plan in place, knowledge of regulations and effective and efficient legal support."

McDonald Hopkins specializes in advising organizations on data privacy and cybersecurity risks on both a national and international basis, including proactive compliance, incident response strategies and management, and defense of regulatory enforcement actions and single-plaintiff and class action litigation. McDonald Hopkins has counseled clients through over 1,500 data breaches and privacy

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incidents, in nearly every industry, where they work closely with local, state and federal law enforcement, forensic investigators and third-party vendors to provide clients with efficient and effective breach response services in compliance with the numerous state, federal, international and industry-specific legal obligations. McDonald Hopkins data privacy team also focuses on proactively protecting organizations' personal, sensitive and confidential information and minimizing the risk of a data privacy incident, by conducting breach response workshops and training sessions for organizations and their risk management teams, and helping clients with the development of their written information security programs and incident response plans.

More information on the 2017 Cyber Risk Awards can be found on Advisen's [website](#).



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