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OVERVIEW

Karla is an associate in the firm's Privacy + Cyber practice. Her daily work includes counseling insureds on the initial incident response, potential ransom payment, restoration, data mining, and notification segments of the incident response practice. She also leads efforts to identifying and remediating shortcomings in cybersecurity and privacy practices of firm clients.

Prior to joining the firm, Karla was a cyber services manager for the Beazley Group, offering proactive risk management guidance to clients seeking to improve their controls and mitigate risks before an incident occurs. Additionally, she has handled more than 500 active cybersecurity incidents.

Karla received her J.D. from LMU Loyola Law School with a concentration in cybersecurity and data privacy and her bachelor's degree in political science from Mount Saint Mary's University, where she graduated *cum laude*.

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Cyber services manager, Beazley Group, (2021-2023)

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- Law clerk, Consumer Protection Unit, (2020)

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, J.D., 2020, LMU Loyola Law School Dean's Service Award
- Mount St. Mary's University, B.A., *cum laude*, 2016, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher Pre-law Scholarship

CERTIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Certified Information Privacy Professional/United States (CIPP/US)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- California

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, "Navigating the Complex Landscape of Privacy and Cybersecurity: Emerging Trends, Regulatory Complexities, and Compliance Strategies," myLawCLE and the Federal Bar Association, January 9, 2024.
- Panelist, CISO/CSO/General Counsel Summit, Converge Security, Anaheim, CA, September 15, 2023.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "CCPA Cybersecurity Audit: Part 4 – Whose Name Is on the Line: Risks, Enforcement, and Responsibility," *Privacy + Cyber + AI*, April 22, 2026.
- Co-author, "Outside FDA, Inside the Crosshairs: Cybersecurity Risks for General Wellness and Fitness Products," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, April 21, 2026.
- Co-author, "CCPA Cybersecurity Audits: Part 3 – Where CCPA Cybersecurity Audits Fit Within Existing Security Frameworks," *Privacy + Cyber + AI*, March 26, 2026.
- Co-author, "FDA's 2026 Guidance on General Wellness Devices: Policy for Low-Risk Devices," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, March 18, 2026.
- Co-author, "CCPA Cybersecurity Audits: Part 2 – The 'How' of CCPA Cybersecurity Audits: Operationalizing the Requirements," *Privacy + Cyber + AI*, March 18, 2026.
- Co-author, "CCPA Cybersecurity Audits: Part 1 – The Who, What, and When of CCPA Cyber Audits," *Privacy + Cyber + AI*, March 11, 2026.
- Co-author, "Wellness Trackers, 'Medical' Status, and Cybersecurity: How FDA, FTC, and State Laws Interlock," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, February 19, 2026.
- Co-author, "Is Individualized Pricing the Next Big Privacy Enforcement Issue? California AG Announces Investigative Sweep Around 'Surveillance Pricing' Practices," *Privacy + Cyber + AI*, February 10, 2026.
- Co-author, "Oklahoma Amends Data Breach Notification Statute," *Privacy + Cyber + AI*, November 25, 2025.
- Co-author, "6 Tips for Cos. Facing Service Provider Cyber Incidents," *Law360*, October 23, 2024.
- Co-author, "Navigating the Complexities of Cyber Incident Reporting," *Law360*, October 2, 2024.
- Co-author, "Three's a Pattern: Kentucky Becomes the 15th State to Enact a Comprehensive Privacy Law," *Troutman Pepper*, April 5, 2024.
- Co-author, "New Hampshire Enacts Comprehensive Privacy Law – SB 225," *Troutman Pepper*, March 11, 2024.

- Co-author, “2023 Privacy Year in Review,” *Troutman Pepper*, February 1, 2024.
- Co-author, “California Delete Act: An Aggressive New Approach to Regulating Data Brokers,” *Troutman Pepper*, October 19, 2023.
- Co-author, “SEC Adopts Final Cybersecurity Rules — Requires Companies to Focus on their Security and Disclosure Plans,” *Troutman Pepper*, July 31, 2023.
- Co-author, “A Checklist for Cyber Incident Response Communications,” *Law360*, July 14, 2023.