



Savvas Dagninis
Associate – Business Law

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Savvas Dagninis is a cross-border business and IT lawyer licensed in Ontario, Illinois, and Washington, DC. He focuses on drafting and negotiating complex business and technology agreements and advising clients on compliance services with respect to privacy, data exportation, cybersecurity, and business laws. Additionally, Savvas offers reactive privacy and data breach response services to provide businesses with real-time support during incident response and remediation.

Certified Information Privacy Professional/Canada (CIPP/C), Certified Information Privacy Professional/United States (CIPP/US)

Education
American University, Washington College of Law, J.D.
University of Ottawa, J.D.
Wilfrid Laurier University, B.A.

Called to the Bar in Ontario, 2021; Admitted to the Bars of Illinois, 2021, and Washington, D.C., 2021, Foreign Legal Consultant (FLC), 2023-2024

About

Savvas Dagninis is a cross-border business and IT lawyer licensed in Ontario, Illinois, and Washington, DC. He understands that in this digital-first world, every business is a tech business, and provides clients with practical and effective solutions to minimize legal risks and support their business objectives.

In his practice, Savvas advises clients on a wide range of matters, including software licensing and development, cloud computing, outsourcing, e-commerce, data protection and privacy, cybersecurity, and intellectual property. He guides businesses through cybersecurity standards, including the certification process of Canada’s national cybersecurity program—CyberSecure Canada—and those created by the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology, and advises businesses on data governance best practices. Savvas also assists businesses and entrepreneurs with legal matters and contracts to ensure compliance with privacy laws and anti-spam laws in both Canada and the U.S.

In addition to his IT law practice, Savvas assists businesses on general corporate and franchise matters, such as incorporation, business restructuring, and expansion into the U.S. or Canada. He also performs privacy impact assessments and provides reactive privacy and data breach response services, helping businesses respond quickly and effectively to mitigate damage and maintain regulatory compliance. Savvas offers real-time support during incident response and remediation, ensuring that his clients are able to navigate the aftermath of a security incident with confidence.

In his spare time, Savvas enjoys reading the news every morning with his coffee, playing rapid chess, and going to the gym.



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Awards and Recognition

In Autumn 2022, Savvas was named to the Mondaq Thought Leadership Awards in Data Protection for his authorship of the blog post “How does Wordle save my stats?”

In Autumn 2021, Savvas was named to the Mondaq Thought Leadership Awards in Intellectual Property for his co-authorship of the blog post “Lawyers Can Go Way Back With The Wayback Machine”

Memberships and Associations

- International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP), Professional Member;
- Middlesex Law Association, Member;
- Illinois State Bar Association, Member.