



## ASHFIN ISLAM, CIPP/US

### ASSOCIATE

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Ashfin Islam is a litigation associate who focuses his practice on global privacy and data security compliance.

As a certified information privacy professional (CIPP/US), Ashfin works with clients to ensure compliance with state data privacy legislation and to review initiatives for compliance with state, federal and international privacy laws, including the E.U. General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), California Privacy Rights Act (CPRA) and Virginia Consumer Data Protection Act (VCDPA). He also provides assurance, tax and advisory services to federal government entities, financial institutions, law firms, hospitals, universities and nonprofits.

Ashfin advises clients on the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Sarbanes-Oxley, Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), securities, antitrust, consumer protection, student loan protection, tax and financial/donor reporting requirements for nonprofits, and other rules.

He is also experienced in contract negotiation and administration, as well as startup fundraising, and has experience serving clients in the renewable energy and cannabis industries.

### BACKGROUND

Prior to joining Armstrong Teasdale, Ashfin served as an associate at a Boston-based law firm. Before that, he was vice president of legal and regulatory affairs for a digital health company.

### EDUCATION

- Northeastern University (J.D., 2014)
  - Honors Distinction in Corporations, Securities Regulation, Basic Income Taxation, Trusts and Estates, and Law of Financial Institutions
- Amherst College (B.A., 2010)
  - Sociology

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)

### SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Data Innovation, Security and Privacy  
Corporate  
Litigation  
Energy and Utilities  
Health Care and Life Sciences  
Technology

### ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

## CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

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

## LANGUAGES

- Bangla
- French
- Arabic

## EXPERIENCE

### **Data Governance Research for Consumer Rewards Program**

Researched discrete data governance issues for an organization's consumer rewards program. Analyzed issues at the intersection of state and federal gift certificate and consumer rewards laws.

### **GDPR Training for Multinational Nonprofit**

Delivered GDPR training to a multinational nonprofit concerning the encryption of sensitive personal information including arrest records, convictions and victim health information.

### **Renewable Energy Project Financing Diligence**

Performed renewable energy project financing diligence for a Boston law firm, including the review of various state and federal renewable energy incentive laws.

### **Contract Review for Leading Stable Coin Company**

Assisted the in-house team at the world's second-largest stable coin company by reviewing, negotiating and drafting commercial agreements including master service agreements (MSAs), nondisclosure agreements (NDAs), statements of work (SOWs), software as a service (SaaS) and licensing agreements.

### **Contracting Services for Multinational Pharma Client**

Actively engaged with and responded to contracting requests from internal functions of a multinational pharma company, such as information technology and public affairs, and provided full-service contracting services to support business needs.

### **Data Privacy Assessment for Customer Data Platform Company**

Led a data privacy assessment and tracking tool implementation project for a leading cloud-based customer data platform company focusing on GDPR and California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) compliance. Provided drafting and negotiation assistance for a variety of commercial contracts including Master Service Agreements and Data Protection Agreements.

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

November 21, 2021

**How to Protect Your Company's Access to Cyber Insurance in an Age of Ransomware**

## Attacks