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Education

J.D., Harvard Law School, 2010
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Bar Admissions

District of Columbia
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Cybersecurity Fellow, Center
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Joshua Gruenspecht advises clients in a variety of transactional, regulatory and litigation matters, including cross-border transactions, commercial service agreements, regulatory proceedings, and privacy and cybersecurity issues. He represents clients in the telecommunications, technology, media and defense sectors, among others.

Mr. Gruenspecht's transactional and regulatory practice involves representing domestic businesses and foreign entities before the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), Defense Security Service (DSS), Federal Communications Commission (FCC), federal defense and intelligence agencies, state utility commissions and other government bodies on communications, national security and cybersecurity matters. He has negotiated and drafted security agreements, network and physical security plans and policies, and other filings before CFIUS, DSS and the FCC, among others.

Recent representations include: **Broadcom Corporation** in its \$37 billion acquisition by Avago Technologies Limited before CFIUS; **Sprint Corporation** in its \$21.6 billion acquisition by SoftBank Corporation before CFIUS, the FCC and various other federal agencies; **Hewlett Packard Enterprise** in its \$2.3 billion sale of a 51 percent stake in H3C Technologies Co., Limited to Tsinghua Holdings before CFIUS and various other federal agencies; **NICE Ltd.** in its \$940 million acquisition of inContact, Inc. before CFIUS, the FCC and various other federal and state agencies; **Thales SA** in its \$400 million acquisition of Vormetric, Inc. before CFIUS and various other federal agencies; and **21st Century Fox Inc., Viacom, Inc.** and other media companies in a variety of proceedings before the FCC.

Mr. Gruenspecht also represents companies in cybersecurity-related matters, develops cybersecurity-related policies and best practices, and negotiates with government agencies over access to internal networks and related information. He has consulted with technology, telecommunications and financial services companies in responding to network security breaches and losses of confidential information and developing and refining their information technology security plans, compliance guides and user policies in response to those incidents. He has represented a number of energy companies, technology companies and online service providers before various federal agencies over governmental access to corporate and customer information granted pursuant to the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, the Stored Communications Act, the pen/trap statutes, sector-specific regulations and various federal and state privacy statutes. He also has worked with a number of *Fortune* 500 companies in responding to congressional, federal and state regulatory agency requests for information regarding their cybersecurity preparedness.

Mr. Gruenspecht has been listed in *The Legal 500 U.S.* in the areas of Telecom and Broadcast: Regulatory and Transactional. Prior to law school, he worked as an engineer engaged in network security research and development for the federal government and BBN Technologies.