

# Webcast: Privacy and Consumer Protection Enforcement under the Biden Administration

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President-elect Joe Biden has signaled that robust consumer protection will be a major focus of his policy agenda. In this webcast, an experienced team of Gibson Dunn consumer protection attorneys will preview the incoming administration's anticipated consumer protection agenda in areas including consumer fraud, privacy, and consumer financial protection. We also will discuss what, if any, impact this policy shift is likely to have on state-level enforcement. Topics to be discussed include:

- DOJ and SEC consumer fraud enforcement;
- FTC consumer protection enforcement, including privacy and cybersecurity enforcement;
- HHS privacy enforcement;
- CFPB consumer financial protection enforcement; and
- State Attorney General consumer protection enforcement in key jurisdictions, including New York and California.

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