



## Aravind Swaminathan

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### Domaines d'intervention

- Cyber, Privacy & Data Innovation
- Class Action Defense
- White Collar, Investigations, Securities Litigation & Compliance
- Investigations internationales et mesures d'application
- Procès
- Strategic Advisory & Government Enforcement (SAGE)

### Distinctions

- *Chambers USA*, Privacy and Data Security: Cybersecurity (2024)
- *Chambers USA*, Privacy and Data Security: Litigation (2019-2024)
- *Chambers USA*, Privacy and Data Security: Incident Response (2021-2023)
- *Chambers Global*, Privacy and Data Security: Litigation (2019-2020)
- [Incident Response 30, Cybersecurity Docket](#)

Data is igniting a global, technological revolution. Increased collection, use, storage, and transfer of data has shifted the paradigm of innovation – and created a global security problem. *Fortune* 500 companies with large quantities of data, cities with vulnerable infrastructure, and every institution in between must manage that risk, without encumbering progress or technological advancement. To do so, they turn to Aravind Swaminathan, Global Co-chair of Orrick's internationally recognized Cyber, Privacy & Data Innovation team. Aravind is ranked by *Chambers USA* and *Chambers Global*. Clients endorse Aravind, telling *Chambers*, "he is a strong litigator," "extremely skilled in the field of legal cybersecurity, extremely responsive and he makes time for us." "He's always well prepared and consistently has the answer we need."

As a strategic cybersecurity advisor, Aravind partners with clients to proactively plan for a crisis and develop strategies to improve resiliency, respond efficiently and effectively, protect their business and brand, and defend them in the onslaught of litigation and enforcement actions that follow. He guides organizations from large public company financial institutions to start-up technology companies to critical infrastructure providers through incidents, and develops business- and brand-centric strategies to mitigate and manage risk. He has directed more than 200 cybersecurity incident

[\(2016, 2018, 2019, 2020\)](#)

- [Washington Super Lawyers, White Collar \(2016-2019\)](#)
- [Minority Corporate Counsel Association Rainmaker \(2018\)](#)
- [JD Supra Readers' Choice Award – Cybersecurity \(2016\)](#)
- [Washington Super Lawyers "Rising Stars," White Collar \(2015\)](#)

#### Formation

- B.A., Cornell University, 1997
- J.D., Boston University School of Law, 2002

#### Clerkships/Détachements

- Hon. Richard Tallman, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

and data breach investigations, including enterprise-wide network intrusions to cyberattacks with national security implications.

With extensive trial, litigation and appellate experience, he defends his clients in cyber, privacy, and payments related class actions and other civil litigation (particularly Computer Fraud and Abuse Act matters), and in when these issues lead to regulatory investigations by the SEC, DOJ, FTC, and State Attorneys General.

Aravind's background as an Assistant United States Attorney and Computer Hacking and Intellectual Property Section attorney gives him first-hand understanding of federal agencies that allows him to swiftly navigate the system, partner with investigators and find creative solutions for his clients. As a federal cybercrime prosecutor, Aravind investigated and prosecuted a broad array of cybercrime cases, including hacking, phishing, trade secrets theft, click fraud, cyber threats, and identity theft. Aravind also led the cybercrime outreach program, where he worked with members of the Department of Justice, state and federal regulators, law enforcement and other organizations on cybersecurity and related privacy issues. During his time as federal prosecutor in the Complex Crimes Unit, he also investigated and prosecuted a wide array of white-collar crimes, including investment schemes, corporate fraud and embezzlement, securities fraud, tax evasion and the nation's largest bank failure.

#### Juridictions

- [United States District Courts](#) | District of Massachusetts
- [United States District Courts](#) | Western District of Washington
- [United States Courts of Appeals](#) | Ninth Circuit

#### Bénévolat

- Affiliate Instructor of Law, University of Washington School of Law, White Collar Crime
- [President, The Valley School Board of Trustees](#)
- Trustee, Seattle Academy of Arts and Sciences