

**GermanoLawLLC provides client-focused counsel and assistance regarding cybersecurity and data privacy concerns.** We help companies understand, prepare for and address internal and external cybersecurity threats as part of an enterprise risk management plan. We also provide legal and strategic counsel for effectively managing a crisis when a potential data breach or loss of sensitive information occurs.

**GermanoLawLLC advises senior executives and corporate boards** on a range of issues, including regarding corporate governance; managing and assessing risk; determining whether and how best to collaborate with law enforcement; conducting tabletop exercises and briefings; and coordinating internal and external cybersecurity resources to maximize results.

**Recognized by *Directors & Boards* magazine as a “cybersecurity expert,” Judith Germano** provides companies, senior executives and board members with legal and strategic advice regarding cybersecurity, data privacy, fraud and regulatory-compliance matters. Judith is a seasoned attorney with a proven track record of success, who spent more than a decade as a federal prosecutor, worked at a major, multi-national law firm, and clerked for federal judges on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and in the U.S. District of Connecticut. Judith has significant experience handling sophisticated and highly sensitive matters on a wide range of issues. She has led teams of experienced attorneys and investigators working on complex, challenging and high-stakes international and domestic matters involving fraud, national security and corruption.

**Judith founded GermanoLawLLC in 2013 to provide high-level cybersecurity and data privacy counsel** to corporate clients seeking a nimble response specifically tailored to each client’s needs. Judith can work independently, in partnership with existing advisors and vendors, or can quickly assemble and coordinate a talented team of specialists to help prevent, detect, manage and respond to cyber incidents.

**GermanoLawLLC can counsel and assist clients regarding a range of cybersecurity issues, including:**

- managing enterprise risk and improving cybersecurity governance;
- counseling and educating board members, executives and employees;
- developing and leading tabletop exercises and crisis management scenarios;
- responding to incidents involving a data breach or loss of information;
- creating and implementing incident response plans, policies, best practices and internal/external controls;
- advising on data privacy and disclosure obligations, reviewing and updating privacy policies;

- assessing and handling insider threats;
- directing internal investigations;
- addressing reputational concerns;
- advising regarding third party and supply chain risk management;
- collaborating with law enforcement and other public and private resources.

**As a Senior Fellow on Cybersecurity and Adjunct Professor of Law at New York University School of Law**, Judith Germano stands at the cutting-edge of cybersecurity research impacting both the private and public sectors. She leads a cybersecurity task force of senior executives and government officials focused on identifying and addressing emerging cybersecurity concerns of law, policy, business and strategy. She also created and teaches NYU School of Law's first cybercrime course.

**Some of GermanoLawLLC's representative matters include:**

- Counseling Fortune 100 financial services company regarding cyberfraud incident response.
- Advising Fortune 50 company in healthcare sector on Internet-based investigations and collaborating with the U.S. government.
- Advising a national data management platform in responding to a security incident involving a large amount of highly sensitive records and data.
- Developing security incident plans and policies for a Fortune 250 media industry company.
- Advising technology company regarding data privacy policy and issues.
- Conducting tabletop exercise and board-level briefing for critical infrastructure entity.
- Advising global non-profit regarding cybersecurity risk management.
- Advising executive leadership team of internationally known organization regarding data privacy governance, including privacy policies, programs and strategy.
- Presenting to corporate board regarding cybersecurity and privacy risk and strategy.
- Representing online education provider and its founder/CEO in federal government investigation and related civil action.

- Representing CEO of online social networking start-up in federal and state regulatory matters.
- Securing dismissal of corporation and CEO who were named as defendants in securities fraud class action litigation involving the technology sector.
- Providing counsel in financial services sector regarding internal investigation and alleged Anti-Money-Laundering (AML) violations.
- Advising corporate and government executives and other individuals based in New York, New Jersey, California, Florida, and the Midwest, in various matters including: internal investigations; federal grand jury matters; and matters pending before the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Treasury Department (OFAC), New Jersey Bureau of Securities, New Jersey Attorney General's Office, and elsewhere.

**As a federal prosecutor, Judith:**

- Worked closely with the FBI, U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Treasury Department (including IRS-CID), and other federal and state agencies.
- Supervised major, international data breach investigations, including the largest data breach prosecuted to date (130 million compromised debit and credit cards).
- Prosecuted and supervised cases regarding theft of intellectual property (including by insiders); cyber-extortion; identity theft and fraud; unauthorized access to protected computers; credit card fraud; export control violations and other crimes.
- Investigated and prosecuted major securities fraud and other financial fraud matters including a \$37 million securities fraud case that resulted in the nation's longest-ever prison sentence for insider trading; and multi-million dollar investment fraud schemes.
- Handled sensitive national security matters including regarding terrorist financing (international money laundering) and counter-proliferation matters (illegal export of national security controlled technology).
- Prosecuted the District of New Jersey's first criminal case based on evidence obtained under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA).
- Handled major public corruption matters and was the lead prosecutor in the investigation and prosecution of Sharpe James, the former mayor of Newark, New Jersey, and a State Senator.

**Recent Publications include:**

- “Cybersecurity Partnerships: A New Era of Collaboration” - *NYU Law, Center on Law and Security*  
[www.lawandsecurity.org/Publications/CLS-Originals](http://www.lawandsecurity.org/Publications/CLS-Originals).
- “After the Breach: Cybersecurity Liability Risk” – *NYU Law, Center on Law and Security*  
[www.lawandsecurity.org/Publications/CLS-Originals](http://www.lawandsecurity.org/Publications/CLS-Originals).
- “Cyberthreat Spawns New Era Of Public-Private Collaboration” – *Law360*  
<http://www.law360.com/articles/622753/cyberthreat-spawns-new-era-of-public-private-collaboration>
- “One More Reason for Companies to Report Data Breaches” – *Just Security*  
<http://justsecurity.org/23227/reason-companies-report-data-breaches/>
- “Proposed NY Cybersecurity Regulation: A Giant Leap Backward?” – *Forbes*  
[http://www.lawandsecurity.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Germano.NYU\\_ThirdPartyRiskWhitepaper.Feb2017.pdf](http://www.lawandsecurity.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Germano.NYU_ThirdPartyRiskWhitepaper.Feb2017.pdf)
- “Third Party Cyber Risk & Corporate Responsibility” – *NYU Law, Center for Cybersecurity*  
[http://www.lawandsecurity.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Germano.NYU\\_ThirdPartyRiskWhitepaper.Feb2017.pdf](http://www.lawandsecurity.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Germano.NYU_ThirdPartyRiskWhitepaper.Feb2017.pdf)

**Speaking Engagements:**

Judi, a highly sought after public speaker, has presented at numerous events and programs, including the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD)’s Global Board Leaders Summit; NACD’s Cybersecurity Summit; the Washington Post Cybersecurity Summit; the CISO Executive Summit; the Counsel on Foreign Relations (NYC); the U.S. Chamber of Commerce (Washington, D.C.); national meetings and internal training programs for the FBI, SEC, FTC and FDA; lectures at NYU, Columbia, Yale, and Georgetown University. She has appeared on HuffPost Live, TheDeal.com, and elsewhere, and has been quoted in publications including Forbes and the Washington Post.

**Also of note about Judith:**

- Recently appointed to the Supreme Court of New Jersey’s special committee to examine ethical issues regarding metadata.
- Handled and supervised hundreds of complex, high-stakes federal investigations and prosecutions involving bank fraud, securities fraud, other financial crimes, corruption and cases impacting national security.
- Represented U.S. government at federal criminal trials involving fraud, insider trading, corruption and other crimes.

- Represented corporate board of directors at federal civil trial defending lawsuit alleging breach of fiduciary duty and duty of care.
- Represented a Fortune 50 technology firm on media relations issues – an important component of a cybersecurity incident response plan.