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MICHAEL R. STASZKIW EARNS DISTINGUISHED PRIVACY CERTIFICATION

Rochester, New York, September 13, 2021 – Harter Secret & Emery LLP, a full-service business law firm with offices throughout New York, announced that Michael R. Staszkiw, an attorney in the firm’s Privacy and Data Security practice, received the Certified Information Privacy Professional/United States (CIPP/US) designation from the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP). The CIPP is the global industry standard for professionals entering and working in the field of privacy. Backed by ANSI/ISO accreditation, the CIPP/US credential demonstrates a strong understanding of a principles-based framework and knowledge base in information privacy within the U.S. context.

Staszkiw joins a growing list of HSE attorneys to earn this distinguished credential. F. Paul Greene, head of the firm’s Privacy and Data Security practice group, received the CIPP/US designation in 2019 and a CIPP/E (European credentials) designation in 2020. HSE senior associate, Laura K. Schwalbe, received the CIPP/US designation in 2020.

Staszkiw counsels clients on best practices for maintaining compliance with federal and state cybersecurity regulations, including breach preparation, privacy notices and practices, and the security of information systems. He provides support to the HSE “breach coach” team and counsels clients on privacy and data security concerns in relation to complex corporate transactions. He also supports the firm’s litigation practice group and advises clients on litigation matters in both state and federal court.

Staszkiw earned a B.A., *cum laude*, from the University at Buffalo, and a J.D., *cum laude*, from the University at Buffalo School of Law.

Harter Secret & Emery’s privacy and data security clients range from Fortune 100 corporations to closely held businesses and include representatives from a wide range of industries, such as health care, financial services, data analytics/big data, merchants, manufacturers, defense contractors, and employers

of all sizes. The team also advises public clients and critical infrastructure providers on privacy and data security issues. The firm has a 24-hour Cybersecurity Incident and Breach Response Line to assist companies responding to a cyberattack or data breach. The response line, 1-800-232-3021, connects callers directly with the firm’s Privacy and Data Security attorneys 24/7 who can provide breach coach guidance, including breach response and remediation support, crisis management and communication, post-breach reporting and notice, and advice and representation concerning potential litigation and regulatory enforcement.

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