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Wiley Rein Hosts Cybersecurity Discussion with Key Government, Industry Officials

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Wiley Rein hosted a cybersecurity briefing yesterday with key leaders from the U.S. Departments of Homeland Security (DHS) and Commerce and the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). The government briefing was followed by a private-sector panel featuring representatives of the wireless and government services industries. R. Michael Senkowski, who chairs Wiley Rein's Telecommunications Group, delivered opening and closing remarks.

The government speakers discussed their implementation of the Cybersecurity Executive Order issued by President Obama in February, which requires federal agencies to establish standards based on best practices that companies could adopt voluntarily. It also requires more information sharing between government agencies and the private sector, which owns and operates the majority of U.S. critical infrastructure.

Megan L. Brown and Anna M. Gomez, partners in Wiley Rein's preeminent Communications Practice, moderated the government briefing. The panel featured Jeanette Manfra, deputy director of the DHS Integrated Task Force charged with implementing the Executive Order, Adam Sedgewick, senior information technology policy advisor at Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology, and Emile Monette, senior action officer for cybersecurity policy at the GSA.

The industry panel included Roger Jordan, vice president of government relations at the Professional Services Council, John Marinho, vice president of cybersecurity and technology at CTIA – The Wireless Association, and Kirk J. Nahra, chair of Wiley Rein's Privacy Practice. The discussion was moderated by Jennifer S. Zucker,

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