



# *Privacy Law*

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

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## ***TOPICS***

***We'll review current and pending privacy laws, learn how the law defines personal identifiable information, discuss our relevant contractual docs, and identify firm resources.***

# THE WAY THE WORLD WAS...

Until recently, privacy law had been a pretty quiet area of the law.

- **US Privacy Act (1974):** governs information held by government agencies.
- **Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (1996):** protects “personal health information” of individuals.
- **Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (1999):** requires financial institutions to explain how they share and protect their customers' private information.
- **Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (2000):** protects the personal information of children.

***Then GDPR, the  
General Data  
Protection Regulation,  
was enacted in 2018...***

- And suddenly, anyone that collects the personal information of EU residents could be subject to massive new data protection and processing requirements.



# *Now, various states are getting in on the action...*

## US States with Privacy Laws

- **California** – The California Consumer Privacy Act (2020)
- **Nevada** – Nevada's Opt-Out Law (2019)
- **Maine** – Act to Protect the Privacy of Online Customer Information (2020)

## Pending Privacy Laws

- **Massachusetts** – Massachusetts Data Privacy Law
- **New York** – New York Privacy Act (SHIELD)
- **Hawaii** – Hawaii Consumer Privacy Protection Act
- **Maryland** – Maryland Online Consumer Protection Act
- **North Dakota** – HB 1485
- **Washington** – Washington state data privacy bill (failed this spring, expected to pass in 2021)



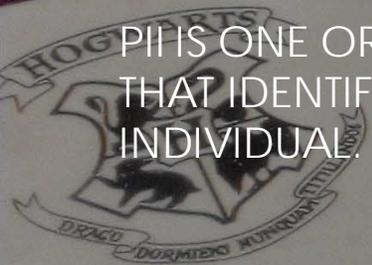
*With so many  
new laws, how do  
we get our arms  
around this area  
of law?*

FIRST, WE NEED TO  
KNOW WHAT "PII"  
IS.

# *What is personal identifiable information?*

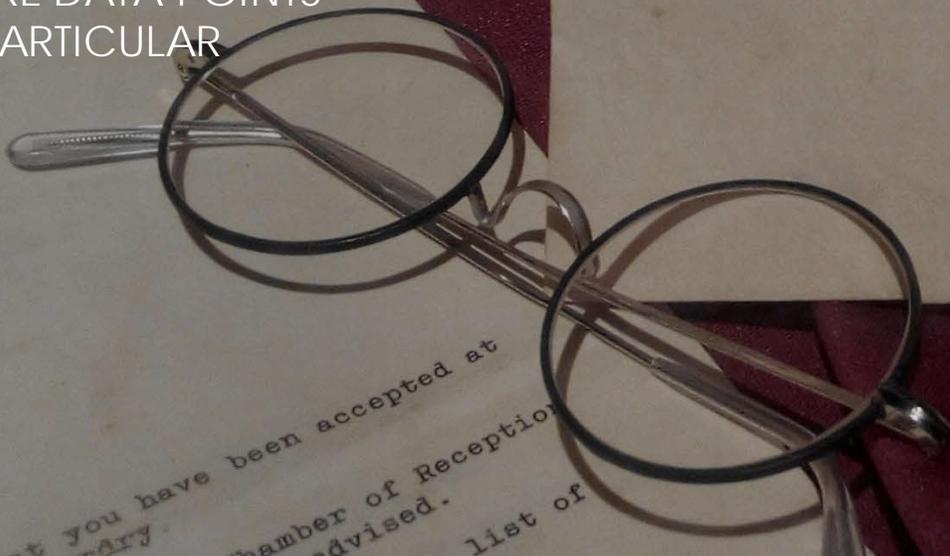
PII IS ONE OR MORE DATA POINTS THAT IDENTIFY A PARTICULAR INDIVIDUAL.

MR. H. POTTER,  
The Cupboard under the Stairs,  
4, Privet Drive,  
Little Whinging,  
SURREY



Mr. H. Potter,  
The Cupboard under the Stairs,  
4, Privet Drive,  
Little Whinging,  
Surrey.

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# *PII can include a wide variety of data points.*

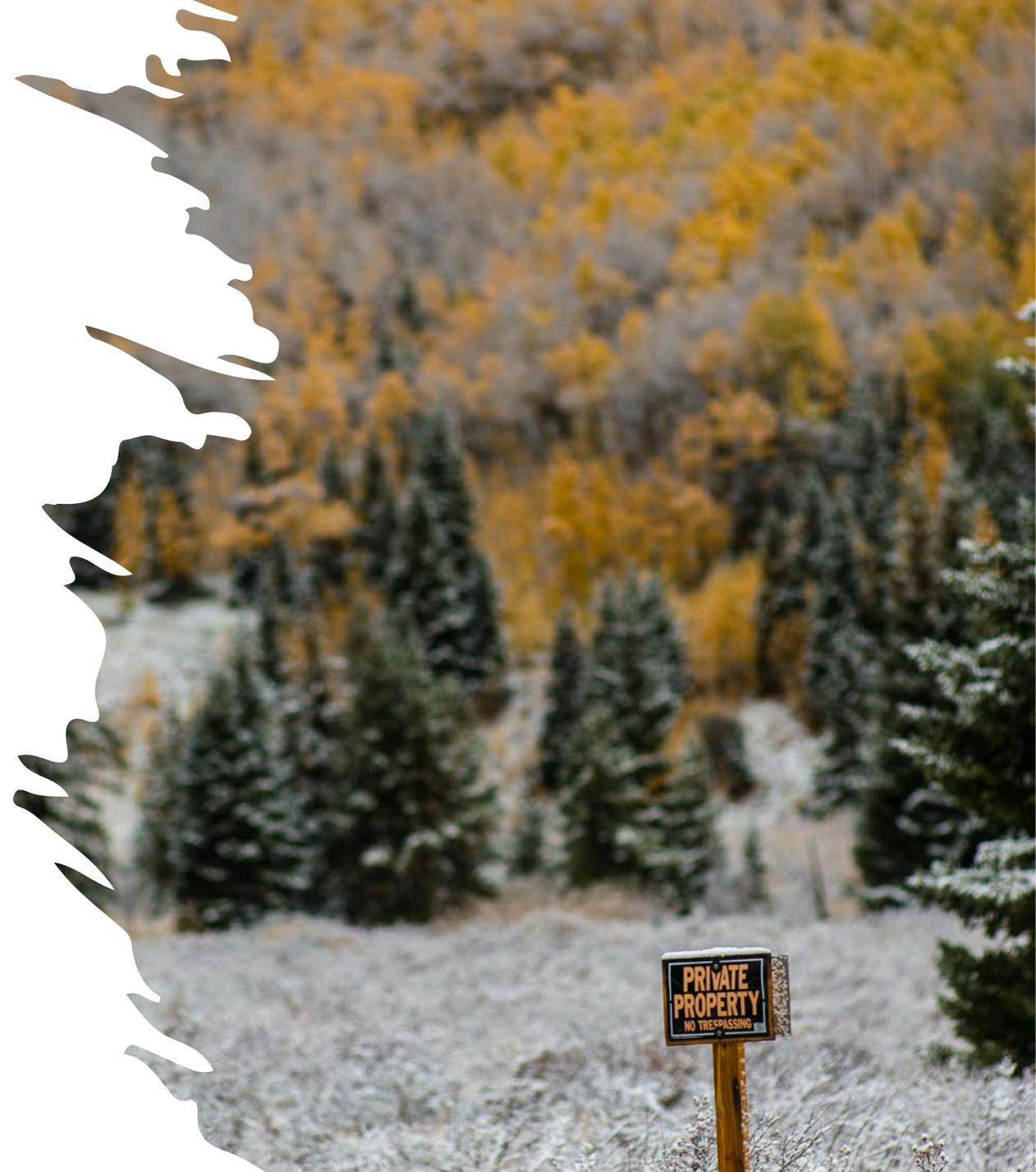
- \* Name
- \* Alias
- \* Online identifier (e.g. social media handles)
- \* IP address
- \* Unique device IDs
- \* Account name
- \* Postal address
- \* Street address
- \* Email address
- \* Telephone number
- \* Social security number
- \* Driver's license number or state identification number
- \* International ID number (e.g. passport number, other international governmental ID number)
- \* Other unique personal identifier
- \* Physical characteristics or descriptions of a person
- \* Geolocation data
- \* Family and lifestyle details
- \* Genetic data
- \* Biometric data
- \* Racial/ethnic/color data
- \* Political opinion or affiliation data
- \* Religious or philosophical beliefs data
- \* Trade union membership data
- \* Sex life, sexual orientation, and gender identity data
- \* National origin
- \* Citizenship status

- \* Disability
- \* Insurance policy numbers
- \* Educational background
- \* Current employer
- \* Employment history
- \* Bank account numbers
- \* Credit card numbers
- \* Debit card numbers
- \* Other financial information
- \* Medical/health information
- \* Health insurance information
- \* Commercial information, including records of personal property, products or services purchased, obtained, or considered, or other purchasing or consuming histories or tendencies.
- \* Internet or other electronic network activity information, including, but not limited to, browsing history, search history, and information regarding a consumer's interaction with an internet website, application, or advertisement.
- \* Audio, electronic, visual, thermal, olfactory, or similar information (e.g. voice recordings)
- \* Inferences drawn from any of the information identified in this subdivision to create a profile about a consumer reflecting the consumer's preferences, characteristics, psychological trends, predispositions, behavior, attitudes, intelligence, abilities, and aptitudes.

# *How do we contract for it?*

There are a variety of contracts you can put in place to ensure proper use and protection of PII. The main ones include:

- Privacy Policies
- Personal Information Processing Agreements and Data Processing Agreements
- Confidentiality Agreements and Provisions
- Incident Response Plans



# ***Which contract is used when/where?***

## **You Have to Know What You've Got.**

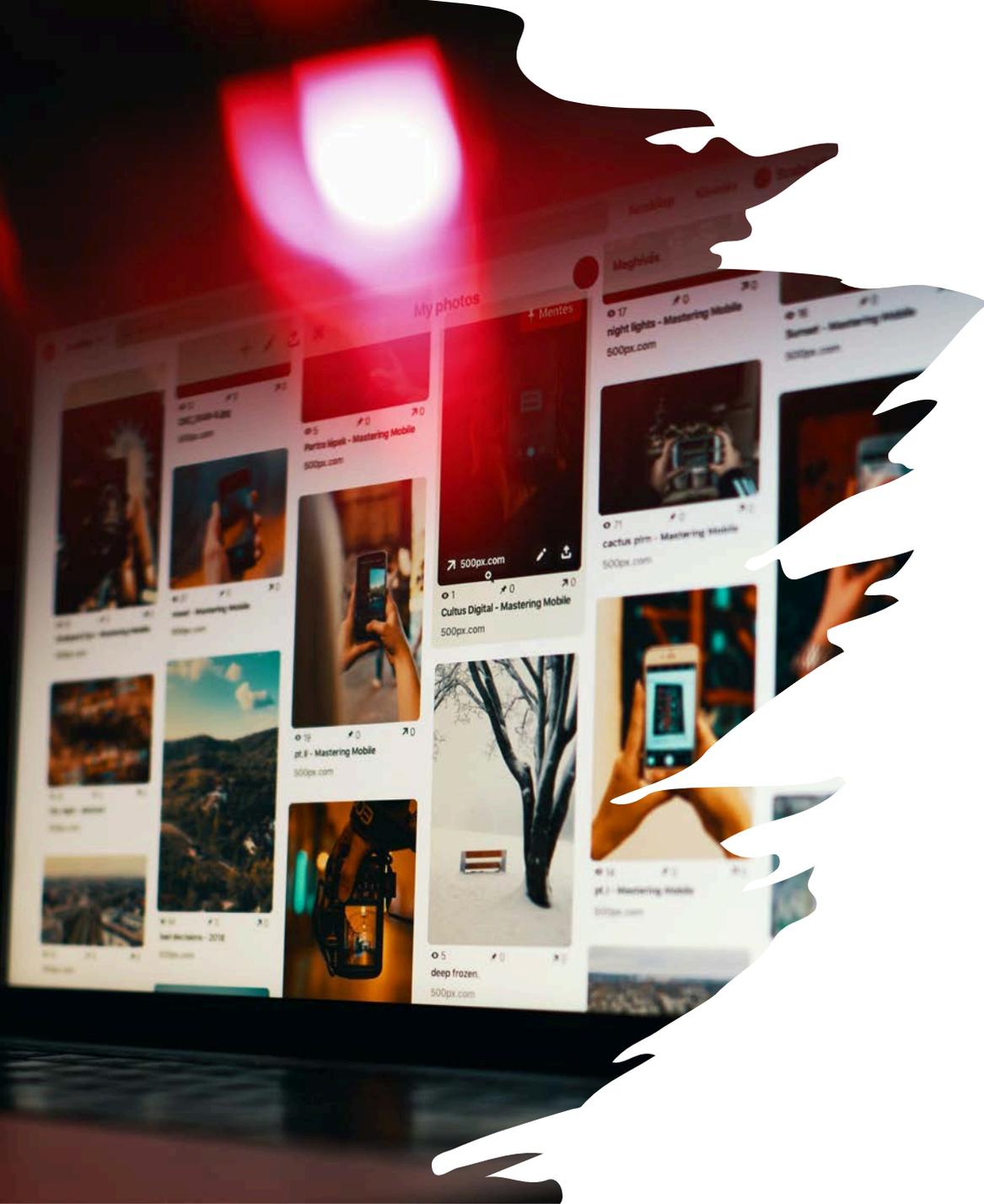
- What data do you collect?
- What are the sources (e.g. contracts, contact forms, provision of services, social media) where you get data?
- After you collect data, where and how is it stored?
- How do you use the data (e.g. is it ever sold to third-parties)?
- Can you readily find and delete the data if necessary?
- What security measures do you have in place?

## **There is No One Size Fits All Agreement.**

- You may need one agreement, or a combination of agreements, depending on your data processing and collection practices.
- Accuracy and knowledge of your internal processes is paramount to building a legal compliance plan!

# *Privacy Policies*

These are generally B2C, but can also be B2B as well. Great for websites and online consumer services where users can provide PII in a variety of ways.



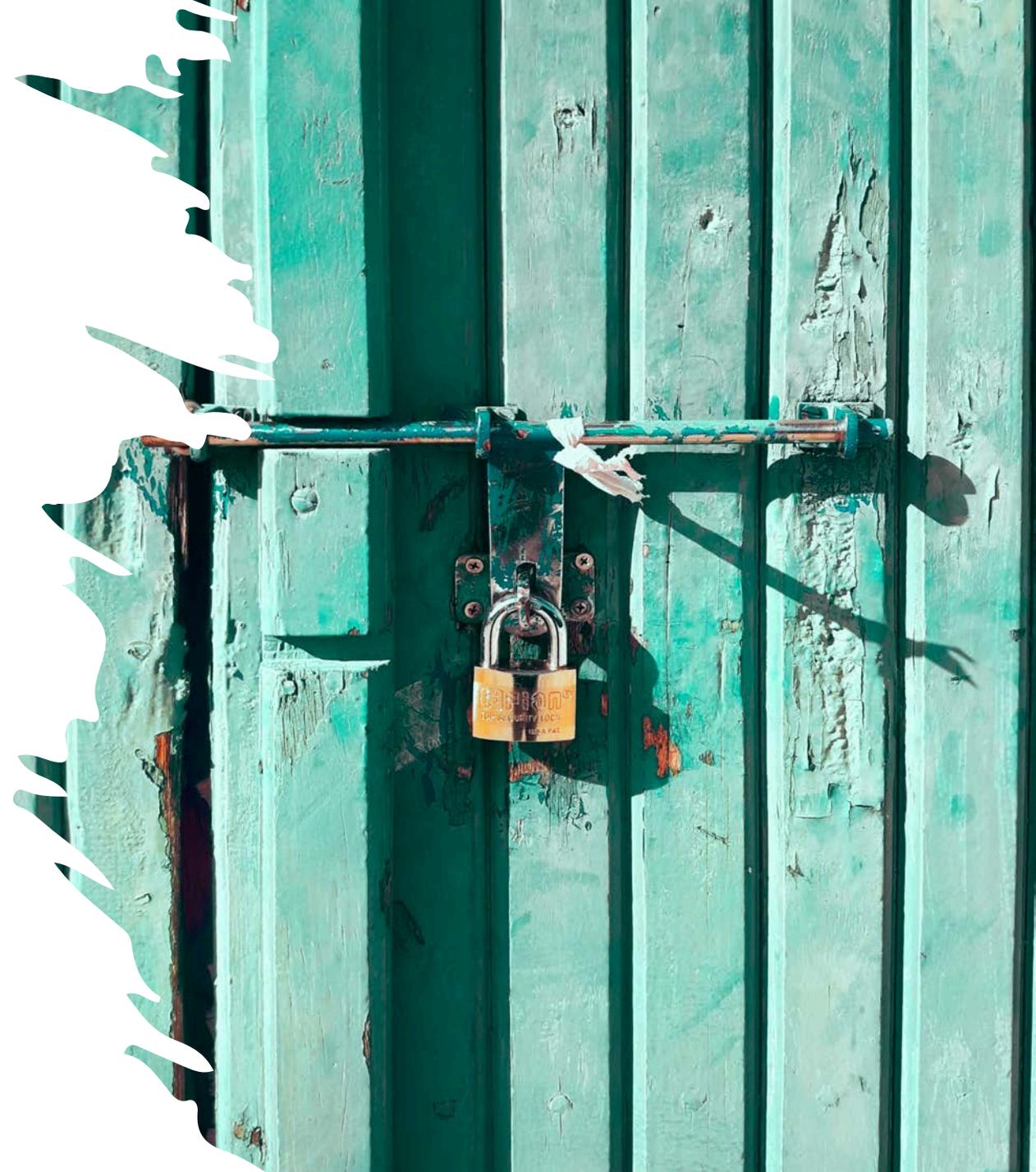
# *Data Processing Agreements and Personal Information Processing Agreements*

- These are useful for B2B transactions where one party is going to be processing the personal information of the other party's customers, contacts, etc.
- Data Processing Agreements (or Addendums) are most often used where European data is processed.
- Personal Information Processing Agreements are generally more US centric, and don't include the required GDPR contractual provisions of their DPA counterparts.



# *Confidentiality Provisions and Agreements*

CAN COVER A WIDE VARIETY OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING CUSTOMER PII, ETC. THESE ARE GOOD TO USE WHEN THE AMOUNT OF PII IS MINIMAL.



# *Incident Response Plans*

- An IRP is an internal company document that governs how the company responds in case of a data breach.
- It also includes best practices for data governance and protection.
- You can also use an IRP in tandem with an internal PII processing policy.





# *What's the goal here?*

TO MAKE SURE YOUR AGREEMENTS ARE  
**ACCURATE AND UP TO DATE.**

# *What resources are available?*

- Fortunately, Carney Badley Spellman has many example agreements, checklists, and practice notes on privacy law.
- We can also introduce you to third-party service providers who can provide cyber security securities.



# *Finally, are you covered?*

Cyber security coverage is quickly becoming a requirement in service provider agreements. If you haven't already, you should speak with your insurance broker to discuss whether this coverage is right for your business.



A close-up, shallow depth-of-field photograph of a person's hands typing on a silver laptop keyboard. The background is a blurred office environment with another computer monitor visible. The text is overlaid on the image.

*You can also ask our Privacy Team for help!*

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