

Heather B. Bearfield

IT RISK AND ASSURANCE SERVICES

Heather B. Bearfield is a principal in the Firm's Boston office and serves as the IT Risk and Assurance Services leader. She is also a member of the national Real Estate, Alternative Investment, Healthcare, and Financial Services Industry groups. In addition, Ms. Bearfield chairs the Marcum Diversity & Inclusion Committee.

She has extensive experience with SOC engagements, internal and external audits, application reviews, internal and external vulnerability assessments, wireless assessments and penetration testing.

Her main focus has been around data security and cybersecurity. Engagements include vulnerability assessments, penetration testing, wireless assessments and social engineering.

Ms. Bearfield has comprehensive experience in multiple aspects of risk management across business operations including regulatory compliance. She executes compliance engagements according to various regulations including SOX, MA 201 CMR 17.00 (Data Security), HIPAA Privacy, HIPAA Security, Meaningful Use, Dodd Frank, SOC1, 2, 3 and FISMA. She identifies process and control weaknesses, analyzes complex systems, and works with clients to streamline operations within time and resource constraints. She is also responsible for conducting global and national IT risk assessments and IT control assessments in numerous vertical markets inclusive of manufacturing, banks, financial services, colocation hosting facilities cloud providers, and application service providers.

Professional & Civic Affiliations

Information Systems Auditing and Control Association (ISACA)
Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants (MSCPA)
100 Women in Hedge Funds
Boston Chamber of Commerce- Women's Advisory Board

Designations & Accreditations

Certified Information Systems Auditor
Certified Information Systems Manager
Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control

Articles, Seminars & Presentations

Crisis Management in Data Breaches: June 2015
Demystifying AML with Data Analytics: April 2015
IT Hot Topics. ISACA Conference: June 2015
Today's Security Industry: From Broken Windows to Hacked Networks: February 2015
Interviewed about Corporate Cybersecurity Vulnerabilities by Thetstreet.com:
March 2015
"Security Risk Assessments: Helping Achieve Compliance" Featured in *South Florida Hospital News & Healthcare* Report: November 2014
The Wall Street Journal Article, "Retailers Back Obama's Credit Card Protections":
October 2014
New England Cable Network "Best Practices for Data Protection": October 2014
Featured on Bloomberg Radio's The Hays Advantage: October 2014
Featured in *Crain's Chicago Business* Article, "Let's Face It: Your Data's as Good as Hacked. So, Now What?": September 2014
Featured in *AP News* Article, "Target Tech Chief Resigns as it Overhauls Security":
March 2014



Heather B. Bearfield,
CISA, CISM, CRISC, PCI-QSA
IT Risk and Assurance Services Leader

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE

SOC 1, 2, 3 (WebTrust, SysTrust)
Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance
IT Audits
Application Reviews
Security Assessments
Data Security Regulations
CyberSecurity

PRACTICE FOCUS

Real Estate
Financial Services
Healthcare
Insurance
Manufacturing
Data Centers
Alternative Investment Funds

EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration
University of Vermont

Bachelor of Science,
Business Administration
University of Vermont



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