

Artificial Intelligence

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AI Adoption Involves Many Different Areas of Law Debevoise Brings Them Together

AI in 2026:
Complex.
Interdisciplinary.
Constantly evolving.

Debevoise delivers
AI solutions:

► Integrated
expertise across
12+ Chambers
ranked practices

► Ability to collaborate
across practice
groups through
our unique
lockstep model



Whatever Your Challenge, We've Probably Solved It Before for One of Our 135+ Clients or Ourselves



Because we have worked with many clients (and internally) on AI issues for over five years:

► We can benchmark where clients are against their peers and show where they're taking on too much—or too little — AI risk.

► We are familiar with virtually every AI-related legal issue and can deliver practical advice quickly and efficiently.

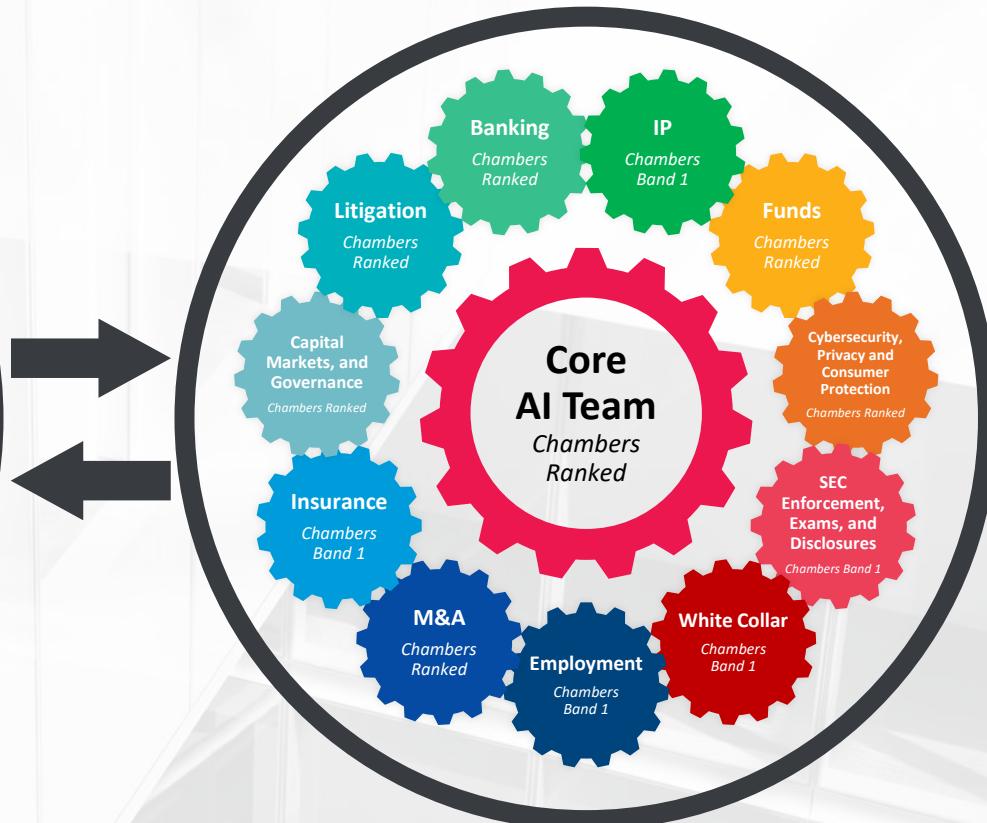
Fully-Integrated Client and Internal AI Practices

What we learn from our external clients about AI adoption, we implement internally, and what we learn from our internal AI adoption strengthens what we deliver to clients. Debevoise's AI-enabled compliance training programs that the practice developed for both internal use and client's in-house legal team, for which Debevoise was named a [LegalWeek finalist](#), are one example of the benefits of this integrated structure.

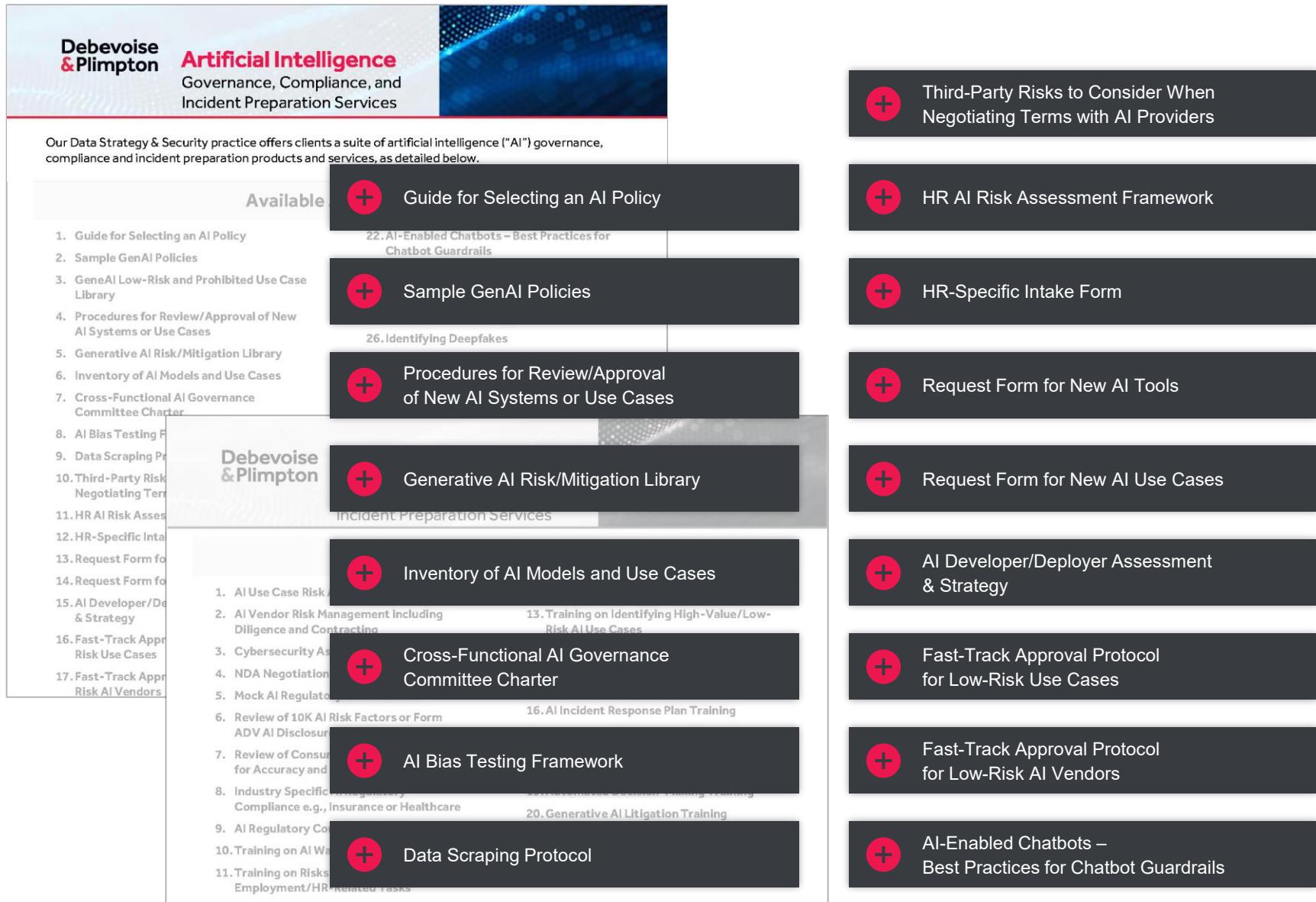
External Clients



Internal Clients



We Provide Clients Practical and Commercial AI Guidance





Band 1 Securities Regulation Enforcement Practice

60+

Asset Manager and Broker Dealer Clients

Why Clients Choose Our AI-SEC Practice:



Deep experience with SEC, FINRA, DOJ

Foresight on how regulators will approach AI

Practical, tailored governance frameworks

Peer benchmarking and market insights



Mock and actual SEC AI examinations and enforcement defense



AI governance and compliance programs, policies, and procedures



Adoption of AI webmeeting tools and recordkeeping considerations for RIAs and BDs



AI vendor risk management diligence and contracting



Conducting AI risk and regulatory gap assessments for specific use cases



Proactive regulatory engagement and advocacy



Chambers
AND PARTNERS

Band 1 Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory Practice

20+

Insurance Clients

Why Clients Choose Our AI-Insurance Practice:



Deep experience with insurance regulators, including NYDFS

Global, Market-shaping guidance on AI adoption in insurance

Specialized expertise in model-bias assessments & testing

Proven compliance support with the Colorado Insurance AI Act, NYDFS Circular Letter No. 7, NAIC model AI rules, and other emerging regulations



Bias testing for underwriting modules involving AI or external data



AI vendor risk management, AI policies, inventories, and training



AI and privacy language in insurance policies and related non-disclosure agreements



Annual insurance regulator AI compliance reports, including use case risk assessments



Implementation of AI webmeeting tools in the context of SEC and FINRA regulatory considerations for Insurers' affiliated RIAs and BDs

AI-Intellectual Property Practice



Band 1 Intellectual Property:
Trademark & Copyright Practice

15+
AI IP Clients

Why Clients Choose Our AI-IP Practice:



Unrivaled trademark practice

Premier, trial tested IP team with a
track record of precedent-setting wins

Deep technical fluency in disputes
involving large language models

Full lifecycle support for building,
commercializing, and defending IP



Trademark and copyright litigation related
to the training of AI models



AI IP data licensing agreements,
including those related to model training
and deployment, and brand protection



AI deal diligence, including IP exposure
and data ownership analysis



AI data privacy and scraping issues in
connection with model development



Evaluating IP risks tied to the training and
deployment of foundation models

Our STAAR Subscription

Our award winning subscription-based **Suite of Tools for Assessing AI Risk (STAAR)** supports clients in identifying, evaluating, and managing the evolving legal and regulatory risks associated with the development and deployment of AI by bringing together a comprehensive collection of frameworks, guidance materials, and practical tools.

The STAAR platform, hosted by Legora, provides AI-powered searchability across:

A library of generic, vetted AI use cases known as DARTs

Our Menu of policies, protocols, trainings, and guidance related to practical implementation of AI

Lessons learned from three years of generative AI adoption

Regulatory trackers of current AI laws

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Debevoise & Plimpton Is Building a New Model for Delivering AI Adoption Advice

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IN-HOUSE

Debevoise Builds Tool To Help In-House Attys Assess AI Risk

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Debevoise & Plimpton LLP is currently building a subscription platform to more efficiently assist in-house counsel with managing risks while adopting artificial

FT FINANCIAL TIMES

Debevoise Wins FT Innovation Award for its STAAR AI Platform

AI Thought Leadership

Our regular **AI Webcasts** draw hundreds of attendees and often feature guest AI regulators and industry leaders

Our AI attorneys are frequently published and quoted in **leading journals on AI issues**, including *The American Lawyer*, *Bloomberg*, *Law360*, and *Directors & Boards*.

Our **Data Blog** has 3,000 subscribers and contains over 175 articles on AI.

Our **AI CLEs** for clients provide the latest on AI technical and regulatory developments

Our series of onsite **Practical AI Workshops** for clients serve as a hands-on resource, offering organizations a clear view of how advanced AI tools can add value.

Our AI Leadership Team



Avi Gesser is our **AI Practice Lead** and the Co-Chair of Debevoise's global Data Strategy & Security Group. Avi has been working on AI-legal issues for over 10 years. He is ranked Band 1 by *Chambers USA* for AI and is one of only six lawyers ranked in the top rankings for both *Chambers Global Market Leaders* and *Chambers USA* for AI. He was named an "AI Visionary" by Relativity in its first annual list featuring leaders in AI. Avi is a primary author of the firm's Data Blog and created the pioneering STAAR subscription program for AI clients.



AI-SEC Lead

Charu Chandrasekhar has deep experience advising global financial institutions, investment advisers, and public companies on artificial intelligence governance, compliance, and enforcement, including in matters before the SEC, CFTC, and FINRA.



AI-IP Litigation Lead

Megan Bannigan regularly advises and counsels clients on intellectual property rights and litigation risks related to AI and other emerging technologies, including pertaining to AI training data sets, models, and generated outputs.



AI-EU Lead

Martha Hirst advises clients on AI governance and adoption, and on navigating a broad range of AI-related operational, regulatory and reputational risks, including under the EU AI Act and UK frameworks.



AI-Corporate IP Lead

Henry Lebowitz frequently represents clients in negotiation of AI-related agreements and data licenses.



AI Technical Lead

Matt Kelly focuses on advising the firm's clients on matters related to AI adoption, governance, model development and deployment, compliance, and risk management, as well as cybersecurity and data privacy.



AI Privacy Lead

Johanna N. Skrzypczyk focuses on advising clients on AI governance with a particular focus on the insurance sector. She also advises clients on privacy risks and mitigations when adopting AI.

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