

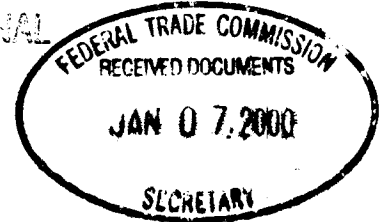


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Secretary
Federal Trade Commission
Room H-159
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580

Subject: Advisory Committee on Online Access and Security -
Nomination P004807

Dear Secretary of the Commission Clark:

IBM is pleased to nominate Rebecca Whitener to participate in the Federal Trade Commission's Advisory Committee on Online Access and Security. Ms. Whitener is a principal with IBM's Global Services Security and Consulting Group, and has extensive experience in privacy and security work with various industry sectors. She is prepared to attend the Committee's meetings and make an active contribution. Her biography is attached.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Rebecca Whitener is a Principal in the IBM Security and Privacy Consulting Practice and has been a key participant in the development of IBM's Privacy Offerings. She is knowledgeable in issues of security and privacy including business fair information handling practices, the current regulatory environment, data mining privacy concerns, privacy issues of particularly exposed industry groups such as health care and financial services, the identification of an organization's privacy intrusive practices, information system audits, and Internet fraud and abuse. While at IBM she has worked on consulting engagements that involved: assessment of security and privacy practices, information asset profiles, development of security and privacy process standards; security product selections; privacy implementations, and facilitation of privacy strategy teams and training workshops. She also developed a white paper entitled *The Business Impact of the Platform For Privacy Preferences - A Tool for Turning Control over Personal Information Back to the Consumer*.

She led a major privacy initiative between IBM and a US Banking Association to develop a fact-based analysis of the privacy issue in relation to the banking industry. The collaborative work involved a team of IBM consultants across competencies and resulted in a tool that can be used to help companies understand implementation costs and to help companies make decisions about privacy practices across a broad range of responses.

Ms. Whitener has over twenty years of varied accounting, auditing, administrative, and technical experience in multiple industries and over five years of consulting experience. She taught university accounting courses and a graduate course in a Master's in Health Care Administration program at a state university prior to coming to IBM. Ms. Whitener holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology, a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting, and an MBA. She is a Certified Information Systems Auditor, a Certified Public Accountant, a Certified Internal Auditor and a Certified Fraud Examiner.