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Holly Benton, J.D., CHPC, is the Associate Director of Privacy at Duke University. She and her team are responsible for providing assurance on matters related to the management and safeguarding of Duke’s sensitive information assets. She plays a key role in facilitating compliance with federal, state and global privacy regulations and mitigating risks to the institution. Holly and the entire Duke Privacy team serve as a resource to the diverse community within Duke, champion privacy and security best practices and promote privacy awareness across the institution. A frequent presenter on privacy related topics in higher education, Holly takes a collaborative, risk-based approach to privacy and related compliance in the higher education space and, as a strong proponent of Privacy by Design (PbD), she works to ensure integration of the PbD principles across the institution.

She joined Duke in August of 2015, after serving in a similar role at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she was instrumental in developing the institutional privacy program, facilitating comprehensive federal and state privacy compliance and mitigating risk to the institution.

Prior to her work in the privacy field, Holly was a litigator and practiced employment law in Seattle, Washington. A graduate of Wellesley College, she completed graduate studies in sociology at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, before shifting gears and getting a law degree from the University of Washington.

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