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New Experts Join the EPIC Advisory Board

WASHINGTON, DC – The Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC) announced today the newest members of the EPIC Advisory Board. These new members are leading experts in privacy, technology, and civil liberties law and policy. These experts will help inform EPIC’s important work on emerging privacy and human rights issues. Since its inception, the EPIC Advisory Board has been comprised of innovative and solution-oriented scholars, experts, and advocates. EPIC’s newest Members are:

- **Colleen Theresa Brown** - A Partner at Sidley Austin LLP focused on privacy, cybersecurity, data protection, and emerging technology issues. Co-founded Women in Privacy and recently named by Washingtonian as one of the “Top Lawyers” in Cybersecurity.
- **Simone Browne** - An Associate Professor of Black Studies and Research Director of Critical Surveillance Inquiry with Good Systems, at the University of Texas at Austin. Author of "Dark Matters: On the Surveillance of Blackness.”
- **Mishi Choudhary** - The Legal Director at the Software Freedom Law Center and Founding Executive Director of SFLC.in, a legal services organization based out of New Delhi that brings together lawyers, policy analysts, technologists, and students to protect freedom in the digital world.
- **Michele Bratcher Goodwin** - A Chancellor’s Professor at the University of California, Irvine and founding director of the Center for Biotechnology and Global Health Policy.
- **Adrian Gropper** - A serial entrepreneur in healthcare computing who has focused on using engineering to advance open and free technology that enables self-sovereign patients, physicians, and communities.
- **Marcia Hofmann** - A digital rights attorney currently serving as US-UK Fulbright Cyber Security Scholar and board member of the Filecoin Foundation. She has previously taught courses in computer crime at Colorado Law and internet law at UC Hastings.

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• **Jumana Musa** - A human rights attorney and racial justice activist, the Director of the Fourth Amendment Center at the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, and former Deputy Director of the Rights Working Group.

• **Scott Skinner-Thompson** - An Associate Professor at Colorado Law School whose research focuses on issues of constitutional law, civil rights, and privacy law, with a particular focus on LGBTQ and HIV issues. His recently published book, Privacy at the Margins, examines how privacy can function as an expressive, anti-subordination tool of resistance to surveillance regimes helping to create a more equitable public sphere.

• **Ashkan Soltani** - An independent researcher and technologist specializing in privacy, security, and technology policy. Former Senior Advisor to the Chief Technology Officer in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and Chief Technologist at the Federal Trade Commission.

• **Amie Stepanovich** - The Executive Director at Silicon Flatirons who is widely recognized as an expert on domestic surveillance, cybersecurity, and privacy law issues. Former U.S. Policy Manager and Global Policy Counsel at Access Now.

• **Katherine Jo Strandburg** - The Alfred B. Engelberg Professor of Law at NYU and a leading expert in the fields of information privacy, innovation policy, and patent law. She is the co-editor of the Governing Knowledge Commons series, and the latest installment is Governing Privacy in Knowledge Commons.

ABOUT EPIC

The Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC) is a nonpartisan, public interest research center in Washington, DC. EPIC was established in 1994 to focus public attention on emerging privacy and civil liberties issues and to protect privacy, freedom of expression, and democratic values in the information age. EPIC pursues a wide range of program activities including policy research, public education, conferences, litigation, publications, and advocacy. EPIC routinely files amicus briefs in federal courts, pursues open government cases, defends consumer privacy, organizes conferences for NGOs, and speaks before Congress and judicial organizations about emerging privacy and civil liberties issues. EPIC works closely with a distinguished advisory board, with expertise in law, technology and public policy. Visit [https://epic.org](https://epic.org) for more information.

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