

Al for Employers:

Balancing Innovation & Data Protection in the Workplace

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Understanding the Workplace Al Landscape



AI Use Cases in the Workplace



Use Case	Business Driver	Examples of AI Systems or AI Enabled Tools
Talent & Recruiting	HR	Resume screening, matching Video interviewing software Testing Onboarding Background checks
Performance Management	HR	Digitized timeclocks Productivity management tools Performance review analysis
Sales Performance Customer Support	Sales Customer support	Email scanning tools Voice/video recording Automated transcripts, recommendations, call summaries, attendance Sales training Customer/prospect sentiment analysis
IT Deployment, Cybersecurity, Workplace Investigations	IT Legal	Monitoring software MDM
Physical Security, Safety	Facilities, Bldg. Security	Motion detection Hot desk usage mapping Facial recognition/fingerprint scanners

Legal & Regulatory Framework



High Level Legal Overview - US





AI Specific

- NYC Local Law 144
- Colorado Al Act
- IL Video Interviewing Act; IL Limit Predictive Analytics (2026)
- MD Labor & Employment Video Interviewing Act
- CA Civil Right Council Regulations on ADT in Employment (DRAFT)



Al Covered

- CCPA
- State biometric laws
- All party consent laws
- Electronic monitoring laws



Regulates AI

- ADA
- Title VII to Civil Rights Act
- FTC Section 5, State UDAP
- FCRA
- Age Discrimination in Employment Act

High Level Legal Overview - ROW





Al Specific

- EU AI Act
- EU Platform Work Directive (2026)
- CN AI and Data Act (AIDA)
- China's Internet Information Service Algorithmic Recommendation Management
- India MEITY AI Advisory



Al Covered

- GDPR/UK GDPR
- Singapore PIPL
- S. Korea PIPL



General Laws that Regulate AI

- Employment laws
- Telecom laws

Workplace AI Use Cases Under Laws/Regs



Use Case	Law/Regulation
Emotion recognition in the workplace (except for safety purposes)	EU AI Act (Prohibited)
Biometric categorization systems that categorize individuals based on their biometric data to deduce or infer their race, political opinions, trade union membership, religious or philosophical beliefs, sex life or sexual orientation	EU AI Act (Prohibited)
*IL and Maryland require adequate notice and consent **IL also has limits on sharing videos, destruction requirements ***IL has demographic data reporting requirements where employer relies solely on AI analysis of video interview for selection	IL Video Interview Act MD L&E Use of Facial Recognition Services
Al systems intended to be used for 1. recruitment or selection (e.g. place targeted job advertisements, analyze and filter job applications, and to evaluate candidates); 2. to make decisions affecting terms of the work-related relationships, promotion and termination of work-related contractual relationship 3. to allocate tasks based on individual behavior or personal traits or characteristics; and 4. to monitor and evaluate performance and behavior of persons in such relationships.	EU AI Act (High Risk)

Workplace AI Use Cases Under Laws/Regs



Use Case	Law/Regulation
Deploying any artificial intelligence system makes, or is a substantial factor* in making a decision that has a material legal or similarly significant effect on the provision or denial to any consumer, or the cost or terms(b) employment or an employment opportunity *Substantial Factor" means a factor that (i) assists in making a consequential decision; (ii) is capable of altering the outcome of a	Colorado Al Act (High Risk)
consequential decision; (iii) is generated by an artificial intelligence system. Substantial factor includes any use of an artificial intelligence system to generate any content, decision, prediction, or recommendation concerning a consumer that is used as a basis to make a consequential decision concerning the consumer.	
 Decisions that result in access to or provision, or denial of employment, including using ADMT for employment or independent contracting opportunities or compensation includes: Hiring; (ii) Allocation or assignment of work; salaries, hourly or per-assignment compensation, incentive compensation such as bonuses, or other benefits ("allocation/assignment of work and compensation"); Promotion; and Demotion, suspension, and termination. 	**CCPA Draft Regulations** *from the draft regulations issued Oct. 4, 2024
2. Extensive profiling of applicants, employees through systematic observation	

Workplace Al Use Cases Under Laws/Regs



Use Case	Law/Regulation
Using AI in recruitment, hiring, promotion, renewal of employment, section for training, apprenticeship, discharge, discipline tenure, or terms, privileges, or conditions of employment that:	IL Limit Predictive Analytics (Civil rights violation) (2026
 has the effect of subjecting employees to discrimination on the basis of protected classes under this Article or to use zip codes as a proxy for protected classes. 	
 employer to fail to provide notice to an employee that the employer is using artificial intelligence for the purposes described above 	
Using "automated employment decision tools" to make an employment decision*.	NYC Local Law 144 – Automated Employment Decision Tools
*Employment decision means to "screen candidates for employment or employees for promotion within the city."	

Workplace Hypothetical



The Use Case



Your Sales VP wants to engage a new vendor that leverages AI to speed up employee onboarding, coach employees on sales techniques, and assess performance.

You are the privacy lead.

Evaluate

Overview



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Integrate

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Does your answer change if this is planned for a global rollout?

Adapt

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Adapt



The Sales VP has rolled out the new AI tool and has been using it for just over 2 months. You get a call from employment legal that it received an anonymous tip on the complaint hotline that sales team members are able to enter employee names into the tool's genAI feature and it is returning employee personal data including salary, performance reviews, 1:1 Slack messages.

What processes should be in place?

Improve

Overview



Improve



With the issue mitigated, we now need to determine how to improve processes going forward.

What ongoing monitoring, improvement should the company be performing?

Best Practices Checklist



\square Engage key stakeholders to gather input, buy in, and engagement
\Box With key stakeholders, develop workflows or processes for workplace AI/ML models, applications, and systems including how they will be reviewed, approved, and assessed
☐ Draft and implement AI policies and/or guidelines
$\hfill\square$ Identify existing internal policies, guidelines that can be updated to help manage workplace AI risk
$\hfill\square$ Review existing applicant and employee notices to determine whether updates for AI/ML use cases are necessary
\Box Develop policies, guidance for addressing where and how notice of Al/automated decision-making and consent/choice requirements are required to be disclosed (e.g. for applicants, workers where consent may be required)
☐ Develop guidelines, playbooks for procurement
\square Develop and implement AI training and awareness targeted at the workplace

Resources



EU AI Act:

- Text: https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-5662-2024-INIT/en/pdf
- IAPP EU Act 101: https://iapp.org/media/pdf/resource-center/eu-ai-act-101-chart.pdf

EU Platform Work Directive: https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/PE-89-2024-INIT/en/pdf

CO AI Act:

https://leg.colorado.gov/sites/default/files/2024a 205 signed.pdf

US State Laws (other):

- California Consumer Privacy <u>Act</u> + <u>Regulations</u> (latest draft <u>Regulations</u>)
- California Civil Rights Commission Proposed <u>Regulations</u> to Employment Regulations regarding Automated Decision Systems
- Colorado CPA <u>amendment</u>: Concerning Protecting the Privacy of an Individual's Biometric Data
- Illinois Biometric Privacy Act
- Illinois Al Video Interview Act
- Illinois Human Rights Act (Limit Predictive Analytics Amendment, HB-3773, effective Jan. 1. 2026)
- Maryland L&E: Use of Facial Recognition Services <u>Prohibition</u>
- New York City <u>Local Law 144</u>:
- See also state all party consent laws (wiretap, anti-eavesdropping)
- See also state laws on electronic monitoring

Resources



US Federal Laws & Regulations

- American with Disabilities Act
 - See EEOC <u>Guidance</u> on AI and the ADA
- Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
 - See EEOC <u>Guidance</u> on AI and Title VII

Other Resources:

- NIST AI Risk Management Framework: https://www.nist.gov/itl/ai-risk-management-framework
- NIST: Adversarial Machine Learning: https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/ai/NIST.AI.100-2e2023.pdf
- EU Commission Model AI Clauses (for EU procurement): <a href="https://public-buyers-community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurements-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurements-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurements-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurements-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurements-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurements-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurement-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/communities/procurement-ai/resources/eu-model-contractual-ai-clauses-pilot-procurement-ai/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.eu/community.ec.europa.eu/community.eu/c
- OECD: Defining AI Incidents and Hazards: https://airc.nist.gov/AI RMF Knowledge Base/Glossary
- Al Vulnerability Database (AVID): https://avidml.org/
- MIT AI Risk Repository: https://airisk.mit.edu/
- CNIL: https://www.cnil.fr/en/carrying-out-protection-impact-assessment-if-necessary
- UK ICO Guidance on AI and Data Protection: https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/uk-gdpr-guidance-and-resources/artificial-intelligence/guidance-on-ai-and-data-protection/
- IAPP Global AI Law and Policy Tracker: https://iapp.org/media/pdf/resource_center/global_ai_law_policy_tracker.pdf

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