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Ian Barish, a Senior Consultant with StoneTurn, has over 5 years of experience in cybersecurity and national security. In his role, he leads high-stakes cyber investigations, provides specialized litigation support, and conducts risk assessments for organizations across various industries.

During his work with StoneTurn, Ian provides comprehensive litigation support for complex information technology disputes, providing technical expertise during the litigation process, drafting expert reports, and preparing experts for depositions and trial testimony. Ian also leads specialized cybersecurity assessments that highlight cyber and national security risks, conducts high-stakes incident response and cyber threat monitoring both during and after cyber incidents, and assists with open source, deep, and dark web intelligence investigations into persons of interest. Ian has worked with both small and Fortune 500 clients across various industries, including information technology, finance, and legal services.

Prior to joining StoneTurn, Ian held a research affiliate position with the Georgia Tech Research Institute in the Cybersecurity, Information Protection, and Hardware Evaluation Research (CIPHER) Laboratory, Command and Control Mission Assurance (C2MA) Division. In this role, Ian assisted with the creation and deployment of specialized applications for the United States Air Force.

Prior to this, Ian was with Ankura Consulting, where he served as a Senior Associate on the Cyber Threat Analysis & Pursuit Team. In this position, he utilized cyber threat intelligence techniques to conduct investigations into threat actors on the dark web. Ian excelled at developing custom-built applications to meet the needs of clients.

Education

M.S., Cybersecurity, Georgia Institute of Technology (In Progress; est. completion 2026)

B.S., *summa cum laude,* Cyber Threat Intelligence and Defense, Johnson & Wales University

Practice Areas

Cybersecurity

National Security

Additionally, Ian and his team leveraged their knowledge of the cybersecurity landscape to write and publish biweekly newsletters covering current events topics in cybersecurity, as well as monthly deep dives into specific threat actors, malware strains, and industry trends.

EXEMPLARY MATTERS

Cybersecurity

- Led analysis and prepared reports for a case on trademark infringement dispute regarding organizations in the artificial intelligence space. Ian led analysis efforts into millions of data points using custom Python scripts and presented the evidence within multiple technical declarations and rebuttal reports, laying out StoneTurn's expert opinions and rebutting opposing expert testimony. In addition, Ian prepared StoneTurn's expert for deposition and answered questions presented by counsel until the case's conclusion.
- Led an investigation into a Fortune 500 technology company's response to an incident involving token theft attributed to a nation-state level threat actor. Ian conducted interviews with client personnel on topics such as incident response, security monitoring, threat intelligence, detection engineering, identity and access management, and security architecture and reviewed client documentation to ultimately compile the organization's knowledge regarding the incident and determine the root causes of the intrusion. Ultimately, StoneTurn's work was used as a source of truth when responding to questions from US government senators and preparing personnel to be interviewed by a US government committee.
- Investigated nefarious bug bounty claims made by an extortionist of a Fortune 500 financial services technology provider. Ian established an evaluation plan to identify and evaluate vulnerability considerations for sensitive applications and assisted in optimizing the Client's vulnerability and threat detection capabilities during the investigation. What's more, Ian supported the Client's CVSS scoring dispute with the extortionist to negotiate a more cost-effective resolution to the extortionist's claims.

National Security

- Conducted compliance assessment into one of the largest satellite communications operators in the world for Team Telecom. Ian reviewed technical documentation regarding the organization's data security practices and conducted interviews with client personnel to determine the completeness, accuracy, and sufficiency of documentation submitted to the US government. During the assessment, Ian visited a sample of the organization's domestic and international locations to conduct physical audits of the organization's datacenters and satellite antenna fields.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS / OTHER

- InfraGard National Members Alliance

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

- Georgia Techn Research Institute, Research Affiliate in the CIPHER Laboratory, Command and Control Mission Assurance (C2MA) Division 2022-2023
- Ankura, Senior Associate on the Cyber Threat Analysis & Pursuit Team 2021 – 2022
    - Utilized OSINT tools and social media sites to carry out investigations into individuals of interest.
    - Conducted risk assessments and created due diligence reports for Fortune 500 organizations.
    - Wrote monthly reports on cybersecurity trends, semi-weekly articles on cybersecurity news, and reports tailored to a client's interests and infrastructure.
- Johnson & Wales University, Information Security Specialist 2020 – 2021
    - Successfully trained over 1,500 employees on data security practices.
    - Assisted in the auditing of websites, applications, and databases.
    - Resolved day-to-day information security tickets.