

Protecting American Children



A Workshop to Explore Age Verification Technologies • January 28, 2026

9:00 am **Welcome**

9:05 am **Opening Remarks**
Andrew N. Ferguson, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission

Panel 1: Understanding the Landscape: Why Age Verification Matters

Moderator:

Peder Magee, Attorney, Federal Trade Commission

Panelists:

9:15 am **Michael Murray**, Head of Regulatory Policy, United Kingdom Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

Mark Smith, Senior Privacy and Data Policy Manager, Centre for Information Policy Leadership (CIPL)

Representative Bethany Soye, South Dakota House of Representatives

Amelia Vance, Founder and President, Public Interest Privacy Center

10:30 am **Morning Break**

10:45 am **Morning Remarks**
Mark R. Meador, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission

Panel 2: From Biometrics to Behavioral Signals: Age Verification Tools

Moderator:

Elizabeth Averill, Attorney, Federal Trade Commission

Panelists:

11:00 am **Iain Corby**, Executive Director, Age Verification Providers Association

Sarah Scheffler, Assistant Professor, Carnegie Mellon University, CyLab

Jim Siegl, Senior Fellow, Future of Privacy Forum (FPF)

Rick Song, CEO and Co-Founder, Persona

Denise G. Tayloe, CEO and Co-Founder, PRIVO

12:15 pm

Lunch Break

Panel 3: Navigating the Regulatory Maze of Age Verification

Moderator:

Manmeet Dhindsa, Attorney, Federal Trade Commission

Panelists:

1:30 pm

Katherine Hass, Director, Consumer Protection Division, Utah Department of Commerce

Jennifer Huddleston, Senior Fellow, Technology Policy, CATO Institute

Sara Kloek, VP of Education and Youth Policy, Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA)

Clare Morell, Fellow, Bioethics, Technology and Human Flourishing Program, Ethics & Public Policy Center

2:45 pm

Afternoon Break

Panel 4: Deploying Responsible Age Verification at Scale

Moderator:

James Trilling and Diana Chang, Attorneys, Federal Trade Commission

Panelists:

3:00 pm

Emily Cashman Kirstein, Child Safety Policy Manager, Google

Antigone Davis, VP and Global Head of Safety, Meta

Graham Dufault, General Counsel, The App Association

Amy Lawrence, Chief Privacy Officer and Head of Legal, SuperAwesome

Nick Rossi, Director, Federal Government Affairs, Apple

Robin Tombs, CEO and Co-Founder, Yoti

Closing Remarks

4:30 pm

Christopher Mufarrige, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission
