Nominations for the 2015 FCBA Election

Pursuant to Article V, Section 21 of the Association’s Bylaws, the FCBA Nominations Committee is beginning the process of preparing the ballot for the 2015 annual election. Positions to be filled are: President-Elect; Secretary; Assistant Secretary; Assistant Treasurer; Chapter Representative to the Executive Committee; three (3) members of the Executive Committee; three (3) members of the Nominations Committee; and four (4) FCBA Foundation Trustees.

The first step of this process is for members to notify the Nominations Committee of their interest in being nominated, or to recommend other members for consideration for nomination. Nominations should be sent to FCBA Past President and Chair of the Nominations Committee, Joe Di Scipio, via email to JDiscipio@21cf.com. Please give the name of the member to be considered for nomination, a brief statement about why the individual is being nominated, and the office they are being recommended for by Thursday, January 15, 2015.

The Nominations Committee will present a slate of nominations to the membership via email and the in newsletter. At that point, members will have the option of making additional nominations as outlined in the Bylaws.

2015 FCBA Annual Seminar ~ May 8 – 10
Save the Dates!

Mark your calendars now and join your colleagues at the 2015 FCBA Annual Seminar at the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Resort in Cambridge, MD. The Annual Seminar Committee is planning what promises to be an outstanding program filled with the latest information on telecom issues and great networking opportunities. There will also be plenty of time to enjoy the resort’s tranquil setting on the Choptank River and to participate in golf, tennis, and other special activities.

The resort boasts the following attractions and activities:
- The Stillwater Spa
- The River Marsh Golf Club
- Camp Hyatt at the Pirate’s Cove, offering a fun-filled activities program for kids
- The Blue Heron Rookery, the resort’s 18 acre wildlife preserve
- Water sports including sailing, kayaking and paddleboats

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- Indoor and outdoor pools, including the activities pool with waterslide, a children's pool and the Infinity pool
- Poolside movies and s'mores at the Grand Fireplace

Or a short drive from the hotel:
- Go antiquing in nearby Cambridge, Easton or St. Michael's.
- Explore museums and landmarks, such as the Brannock Maritime Museum, James B. Richardson Maritime Museum, Neild Museum and Herb Garden, Harriet Tubman Museum, the Dorchester Arts Center or the Dorchester County Historical Society, all within easy reach of the resort.
- Explore the 27,000 acres of Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge.

Additional information about the resort and its surroundings can be found at www.chesapeakebay.hyatt.com. Future newsletters and the website will have further information about the schedule, agenda, and registration procedures.

The River Marsh Golf Club

COMMITTEE AND CHAPTER Events

Intellectual Property Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch co-hosted by the Video Programming and Distribution Committee
Date/Time: Friday, January 30, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: TBD
Topic: “Treating Over-the-Top Television Services as MVPDs – The FCC and Copyright Issues.” With the FCC having initiated a rulemaking proceeding looking to expand the definition of a “multichannel video programming distributor” to include online (“over-the-top”) video distributors, thus subjecting these providers to some MVPD rules and making them eligible for certain rights, questions arise about the FCC and Copyright implications of such an action. This lunch will highlight some of those issues.
Speakers: TBD
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

International Telecommunications Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch
Date/Time: Thursday, January 15, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: Hogan Lovells US LLP, 555 Thirteenth Street, NW (Lower Level - Litigation Center – Main Conference Room)
Topic: Cubesats/Picosats/Nanosats: No Common Nomenclature -- and the Regulatory Treatment may be even Fuzzier (a discussion of the regulatory issues surrounding this new and exciting satellite technology)
Speakers: Trey Hanbury, Partner, Hogan Lovells; Mike Safyan, Director of Launch and Regulatory at Planet Labs; Stephen Duall, Chief, Policy Branch, FCC International Bureau; Donna Bethea-Murphy, Vice President, Regulatory Engineering of Iridium
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.
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Event: Brown Bag Lunch
Date/Time: Thursday, February 5, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: TBD
Topic: Connected Cars and other Web-Connected Devices: How Will Your Data Be Protected?
For more information: See page 4.
To register: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Mass Media Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch co-hosted by the Wireless Telecommunications Commission
Date/Time: Wednesday, January 21, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: Wiley Rein LLP, 1776 K Street, NW
Topic: What's next, “Mobile Wallet Neutrality” or “Wallet Wars”? Join us for a discussion of competition for the retailer and gaining access to the point of sale and related public policy issues. What are the implications under competition law of recent announcements of exclusivity and high-profile retailer rejections of competing applications? Will the class action firms or regulators jump into the fray? Would Title II regulation of the Internet make a difference? What’s a modern consumer to do?
For more information: Contact Neil Chilson (Neil.Chilson@ftc.gov)
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Mobile Payments Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch
Date/Time: Tuesday, January 27, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP, 1919 M Street NW, 8th Floor
Topic: “Treating Over-the-Top Television Services as MVPDs – The FCC and Copyright Issues.” With the FCC having initiated a rulemaking proceeding looking to expand the definition of a “multichannel video programming distributor” to include online (“over-the-top”) video distributors, thus subjecting these providers to some MVPD rules and making them eligible for certain rights, questions arise about the FCC and Copyright implications of such an action. This lunch will highlight some of those issues.
Speakers: TBD
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Privacy and Data Security Committee

Event: CLE Seminar
Date/Time: Monday, January 26, 6:00 – 8:15 p.m.
Location: Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, 1500 K Street, NW
Topic: Connected Cars and other Web-Connected Devices: How Will Your Data Be Protected?
For more information: See page 4.
To register: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events or use the form on page 26.

Professional Responsibility Committee

Event: Brown Bag Conference Call
Date/Time: Tuesday, January 20, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Call-In: 1-877-294-6801; No Pin Required
Topic: Brainstorming on This Year's Committee Events: Please share your ideas on future events and topics for continuing legal education and other programs on ethics-related issues.
Co-Chairs: Stephen T. Lovelady and Gina Harrison
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Video Programming and Distribution Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch co-hosted by the Intellectual Property Committee
Date/Time: Friday, January 30, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: TBD
Topic: “Is Treating Over-the-Top Television Services as MVPDs – The FCC and Copyright Issues.” With the FCC having initiated a rulemaking proceeding looking to expand the definition of a “multichannel video programming distributor” to include online (“over-the-top”) video distributors, thus subjecting these providers to some MVPD rules and making them eligible for certain rights, questions arise about the FCC and Copyright implications of such an action. This lunch will highlight some of those issues.
Speakers: TBD
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Wireless Telecommunications Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch co-hosted by the Mass Media Committee
Date/Time: Wednesday, January 21, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: Wiley Rein LLP, 1776 K Street, NW
Topic: Q&A with FCC Incentive Auction Task Force and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. If you still have questions about the FCC Incentive Auction Comment Public Notice following the FCC webinars on January 12, 15 and 20, then please join us for a brown bag lunch featuring FCC staff, including members of the Incentive Auction Task Force and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Young Lawyers Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch
Date/Time: Thursday, January 22, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, 1111 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 234
Topic: Beyond the FCC: How Other Agencies are Grappling with Communications and Related Issues. The FCC isn’t the only government agency addressing interesting communications issues today. Join the Young Lawyers Committee for a lively discussion on communications-related issues handled by other government agencies and how these agencies operate in this growing field.
Speakers: Neil Chilson (Federal Trade Commission), Ben Golant (U.S. Patent and Trademark Office), Jonathan Havens (Morgan, Lewis & Bockius), and more speakers to be announced.
For more information: Contact Ali Zayas (Ali.Zayas@gmail.com) or Arturo Chang (ACHang@ntia.doc.gov).
To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.
The FCBA Privacy and Data Security Committee will hold a CLE on Monday, January 26 from 6:00 – 8:15 p.m. entitled Connected Cars and other Web-Connected Devices: How Will Your Data Be Protected? This program will be held at Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, 1500 K Street, NW.

This CLE will examine the emerging technology of connected cars, vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communications, and intelligent personal assistants (IPAs) used to manage home automation systems.

To register, click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events or use the form on page 26.

**Agenda**

6:00 – 6:05 p.m.  
**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

6:05 – 7:05 p.m.  
**NEW “CONNECTED CAR” TECHNOLOGIES AND SERVICES: WILL YOUR VEHICLE-GENERATED DATA BE SECURE?**  
The first panel will include industry privacy experts and a privacy regulator who will explore how growing automobile connectivity that is and will be generating new data streams and information is raising privacy concerns. These concerns include possible tracking of geolocation data, use of driving habits to price insurance premiums without drivers’ consent, the vulnerability of Internet-connected cars to hacking, and third party access to V2V communications data. With V2V communications mandated for new vehicles manufactured for the 2017 model year and with the NHTSA preparing a Privacy Impact Statement, auto manufacturers are already moving forward proactively to address the security of vehicle-generated data. In November, 2014, the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and the Association of Global Automakers released a set of new commitments to Consumer Privacy Protection Principles for Vehicle Technologies and Services to protect personal information collected through in-car technologies to be effective for existing vehicle technologies and service subscriptions begun or renewed as of January, 2016. This panel will examine these Principles, what vehicle-generated data they will protect, and how effective the protections are likely to be.

**Panelists:**  
Mark Dowd, Assistant General Counsel, Association of Global Automakers  
Cora Han, Senior Attorney, Division of Privacy and Identity Protection, Federal Trade Commission  
Harry Lightsey, GM Executive Director, Global Connected Customer

7:05 – 7:15 p.m.  
**BREAK**

7:15 – 8:15 p.m.  
The second panel of the CLE will explore the information collection capabilities of IPAs and the associated developing privacy concerns. The panelists will discuss IPA technologies, what information is collected, and how they are integrated into the Internet of Things ecosystem. They will also explore the specific privacy and security policy issues related to these connected devices. This CLE will feature leading industry experts exploring the privacy issues relating to the data generated by use of these new technologies.

**Panelists:**  
Laura Moy, Senior Policy Counsel, Open Policy Institute, New America Foundation  
Jules Polonetsky, Future of Privacy Forum  
Google representative (to discuss Google Nest and other services)  
(Invited)
2015 National Telecommunications Moot Court Seeks Practitioners to Serve as Judges

The FCBA and The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law will co-sponsor the 2015 National Telecommunications Moot Court Competition (“NatTel”) to be held February 6-7, 2015. This year’s competition problem considers the intellectual property rights available for sound recordings created prior to 1972. The competition seeks attorneys to serve as Judges for briefs and oral arguments. Briefs Judges will receive submitted briefs on or around Wednesday, January 28, 2015, and they will be due back on Wednesday, February 4, 2015. A score sheet provided by the NatTel Committee will guide Briefs Judges in grading the briefs and allocating points. Oral Arguments Judges are needed for the following rounds: Friday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. If you would like to volunteer as a Brief or Oral Arguments Judge, please contact Erik Fawcett, Vice Chancellor, at nattel2015@gmail.com. No expertise is necessary.

Tuesday, February 24, 2015 Fifth Annual Mentoring Supper

Calling all young lawyers and law students! Please join the FCBA Young Lawyers Committee and the Women’s Bar Association’s Communications Law Forum for the Fifth Annual Mentoring Supper on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. This joint program will be held at Covington & Burling LLP, One City Center, 850 Tenth Street, NW. The closest subway station is Metro Center.
Sunday, April 12, 2015 – Save The Date!

FCBA/ABA/NAB 34th Annual
“Representing Your Local Broadcaster”

The 34th Annual FCBA/ABA/NAB Representing Your Local Broadcaster Annual Seminar will be held on Sunday, April 12, 2015 at the Encore Wynn Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. Program details will be coming soon.

HOTEL: Housing fills quickly for this event, which again will be held on Sunday, April 12, at the Encore Hotel, 3121 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89109. NAB has arranged for a limited number of rooms at the Encore for ABA Forum program attendees. For reservations at the discounted NAB Show rate, you must make your reservations through NAB’s housing office at: http://attendemx.expobook.com/home/index/285.

NOTE: Reservations must be made by March 13, 2015. AVAILABILITY OF RESERVATIONS FOR SATURDAY ARRIVAL IS EXTREMELY LIMITED. Please be sure to identify yourself as attending the ABA Forum program.

TO RESPOND TO JOB BANK LISTINGS

If the employer is listed, send the information requested directly to the employer. If you are responding to a BLIND BOX listing, email the necessary information to kerry@fcba.org. Clearly indicate the Blind Box number to which you are responding. If you are applying to a Blind Box, you may specify to the FCBA any organization to which you do not wish your application to be forwarded. Responses to Blind Box listings can be accepted only from FCBA members.

TO LIST A JOB

Complete a Job Bank Form (found by clicking here or going to the FCBA website under the Products, Publications, and Services link) and email or fax the form and the appropriate payment to Kerry Loughney (202-293-4317, kerry@fcba.org). In addition, please email the text of the ad to kerry@fcba.org. Listings and payment received by the 20th day of each month will appear in the next month’s newsletter. If possible, ads should not exceed 75 words. Please call the FCBA questions. (No headhunters please).

1.15.2 Senior Legal & Regulatory Counsel, Americas – Washington, DC or Sao Paulo, Brazil or Mexico City, Mexico

Summary of Position:
This position is responsible for securing all necessary licenses and compliance with all regulatory requirements to ensure timely execution of the company’s business objectives in Latin America. Expert management of external relationships with regulatory entities as well as strong regulatory support relationships with internal teams (e.g., Commercial, Development) are essential to successful licensing and operation of satellites in a highly regulated and diverse environment.

This Senior Legal & Regulatory Counsel will support development, merger and acquisition projects and in-region satellite procurement. He or she will work closely with internal teams on international regulatory issues arising from ITU and other entities, such as preparation for ITU conferences through CITEL, CTU and other regional groups.

Job Responsibilities:
- Take responsibility for regulatory authorizations and compliance obligations for SES operations in the Latin American region
- Identify legal issues and risks for management consideration and prepare high level of risk mitigation strategies
- Manage SES advocacy activities to defend and promote company policy objectives before pertinent regulatory and policy making bodies, including national bodies, the Andean Community, CITEL, CTU and other groups
- Represent SES interests before regional activities of International Telecommunication Union and other international bodies with respect to Latin American issues
- Coordinate Latin American positions with those established in other SES regions; prepare and coordinate position papers as a team effort
- Manage outside counsel and consultants on specialized matters, including landing rights, content rules, general local laws affecting regulatory responsibilities, litigation and international law
- Support rollout and training for SES’ compliance programmes including SES’ Code of Conduct and ensure ongoing oversight in the region
- Excellent negotiation skills and ability to maintain high level of legal risk mitigation for SES
- Ability to work across multi-function, multi-level and multi-cultural groups; must be a team player
- Pro-active and independent attitude and result oriented approach, with ability to work at distance (time zone and geographically) from other team members
- Strong ability to manage time, set priorities and work independently in an international oriented and demanding commercial environment
- Capability to work accurately and in an organized manner with attention to detail
- Familiarity with or ability to acquire knowledge of the regulatory and institutional frameworks applicable to SES’s activities in Latin American markets
- Ability to advocate SES’s positions and interests outside of the organization

Committee and Chapter Sign-Up

If you would like to sign up for or update the committee(s)/chapter(s) you are on, fill out the form on page 27 of this newsletter or download it at http://www.fcba.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/FY15-Committee-Form.doc and send it back to the FCBA, 1020 19th Street, NW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20036, fax: 202-293-4317, or email: wendy@fcba.org.
Experience/Qualifications:

- JD or University Law degree equivalent to Masters in Law and admission to the practice of law in one or more jurisdictions
- Minimum 7 - 10 years of relevant experience in the communications industry with a law firm, Government agency or private entity(ies), with extensive experience in the satellite sector
- Experience with international legal and regulatory matters, including but not limited to market access, trade, ITU, antitrust, and general commercial and corporate law
- Demonstrated ability to work within tight time constraints in an organized manner
- Demonstrated ability to facilitate and coordinate teams toward a business-oriented solution
- Excellent written and oral communication (including drafting & negotiating) skills
- Fluency in English and Spanish required; fluency in Portuguese is desirable
- Ability to travel extensively internationally
- Must have US citizen or permanent resident visa holder if located in Washington, DC
- Must have Brazilian citizenship or residency and/or be able to work legally if located in Brazil
- Must have Mexican citizenship or residency and/or be able to work legally if located in Mexico City, Mexico

Please apply online at www.ses.com or http://jobs.ses.com. EOE/AA. For more information on SES please visit, ses.com.

GOVERNMENT / ACADEMIC

1.15.3
Cybersecurity Internship – The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau is seeking part-time and full-time non-paid interns to work alongside the FCC's cybersecurity team on issues related to the security, resiliency, and interoperability of the nation's communications networks.

Applicants must be a U.S. Citizen and possess strong academic credentials, good interpersonal skills, excellent research and writing abilities, as well as an interest in communications and public service.

Legal interns should be a second or third year law student enrolled at least half time in an accredited law school with coursework and/or experience related to cybersecurity policy, information technology, or information security. Technical interns should be enrolled at least half time in a master's or doctorate degree program at an accredited college or university with a major in computer science, engineering, network security, information assurance, information technology, mathematics, business with a specific concentration in one of the above, a focus on cybersecurity policy or a closely related discipline, OR be an undergraduate student in your junior or senior academic years of school with a major in one of the above.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis for spring/summer/fall semesters. Please submit a cover letter, resume, brief writing sample, and most recent transcript, and clearly indicate the period(s) for which they are applying, and the amount of time (days/hours) they would be available to work each week. Please send by email to PSHSBCyberInternship@fcc.gov or by mail to PSHSB Cybersecurity Internship Program, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554, c/o Nicole McGinnis.

For more information please contact Dana Zelman at (202) 418-0546 or Nicole McGinnis at (202) 418-2877.

The FCLJ is Looking for Articles

The Federal Communications Law Journal (FCLJ) editorial team at The George Washington University Law School Law is now seeking and accepting article submissions for possible publication in the upcoming volume of the FCLJ. Members interested in submitting articles may contact Senior Articles Editor, Ryan Radia (fcljarticles@law.gwu.edu). Articles may also be submitted through ExpressO. For general inquiries or questions about the FCLJ please contact Editor-in-Chief, Tony Glosson (fclj@law.gwu.edu).
A Message from FCBA Foundation Chair Barry Ohlson

FCBA FOUNDATION MEMBERS,

As we begin 2015, the FCBA and its members can take a great deal of pride in the events and accomplishments of the FCBA Foundation in 2014.

All FCBA members belong to the FCBA Foundation, and many of you donate your time, talents and financial support to the Foundation's programs throughout the year. These commitments have enabled the Foundation to expand our programs significantly over the last several years. This past fiscal year was no exception, as we awarded four-year scholarships to 19 deserving Washington, DC high school graduates; stipends to 18 law school students who interned in public service positions this past summer; and scholarships to eight law school students for the 2014-15 school year.

Specific details of the Foundation programs can be found in our FY2014 Annual Report.

As the Board begins to develop its scholarship program goals for the year, we ask you to include the Foundation in your giving plans during our FY2015 campaign, which runs through June 30, 2015.

If you would like to make a donation to the FCBA Foundation, please click one of the links below.

Click here to download the donation form

Click here to donate online

Online donation instructions: (1) login using your user name and password; (2) click the Online Store link, then enter Name/Keyword: Foundation; and (3) click the Go button.

OUR FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

As in the past, the Foundation will recognize donors throughout the year, and each of our donors will be listed in our Annual Report. Donations are encouraged at the levels outlined below.

Honorary Degrees (Organizations): Inspired by the Foundation’s mission to support educational pursuits, organizations will be recognized with the following “honorary degrees.”

Degrees All Their Own (Named Scholarship) $10,000 and above
Masters of Media $5,000 - $9,999
Bachelors of Broadband $2,000 - $4,999

Each year, we specially recognize those organizations that have funded scholarships in amounts of $10,000 or more to Foundation programs through Named Scholarships, which we recognize at our Annual Meeting luncheon in June and at the Chairman’s dinner in December, as well as in our Annual Report and newsletter.

For FY2014, our Named Scholarship donors included: 21st Century Fox; AT&T Services, Inc.; Comcast Corporation; Consumer Electronics Association; CTIA – The Wireless Association; DIRECTV; Google Inc.; Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP; The Karen A. Kincaid Scholarship Fund, sponsored by Wiley Rein and Karen’s Friends; Sidley Austin LLP and the Sidley Austin Foundation; Snyder & Snyder LLP; Time Warner Cable; Verizon; Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP; and The Young Lawyers Committee and Charity Auction Scholarship.

To encourage members within organizations to work together to support our programs, the FCBA Foundation will recognize gifts at these levels by individuals or groups that choose to be, and can be, recognized as such – partners and associates in the same firm, employees of the same company, or old friends remembering a colleague.

In FY2014, Cox Enterprises Inc.; Cooley LLP; and Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo, P.C. reached the level of “Masters of Media”; while Davis Wright Tremaine LLP; Hogan Lovells US LLP; National Cable & Telecommunications Association; and the FCC Staff all became “Bachelors of Broadband.”

Gems (Individuals): Inspired by the Foundation program funding public service internships from April to September, individual donations will be recognized at the following “birth stone” levels:

Diamond $1,000 and above
Emerald $500 - $999
Pearl $250 - $499
Ruby $100 - $249
Sapphire $99 and below

Our Annual Report recognized the hundreds of individual FCBA members who donated to the Foundation this past fiscal year, including the 20 individuals who reached the “Diamond” level. Of course, we are thankful for every contribution – without this generosity, our programs would not be the success they have become.

On behalf of the Board, I encourage all FCBA members to consider a donation to the Foundation, with the hope that more of you will join the ranks of our degree program or become gems. However you choose to give, we thank you for the time and talent that each of you contributes to the FCBA Foundation, and we look forward to hearing from you regarding the Foundation and its programs.

Very truly yours,

Barry J. Ohlson
Chair, FCBA Foundation
Board of Trustees
The FCBA Foundation is gearing up for its 2015 College Scholarship Program

The FCBA Foundation is gearing up for its 2015 College Scholarship Program, which provides financial assistance and laptop computers to DC public high school students to assist them in attending college. Over the past 22 years, the Foundation has helped nearly 180 local high school students attend college with scholarship awards ranging from several thousand dollars up to $32,000, payable over four years.

The Foundation committed $244,000 to its 2014 scholarship class, which was comprised of 20 graduating seniors who were carefully selected from among a number of applicants representing 10 DC public high schools because their academic achievements and service to school and community demonstrated their likelihood of success in pursuing a college education.

This year, the Foundation is expanding its outreach to additional DC public high schools to ensure that more students are aware of the College Scholarship Program. The Foundation also will be moving to a web-based application that will enable interested students to apply for a scholarship online. The online application will be available by mid-January at: https://fcbafoundation.starsscholarshiponline.com/STARS/default.aspx.

The deadline for submission of applications will be Wednesday, April 1, 2015. The Foundation plans to notify successful applicants regarding their scholarship awards by Friday, May 15, 2015.

If you have any questions about the application, please contact the FCBA offices at 202-293-4000 or by email at starsha@fcba.org.

Volunteer at Martha’s Table on January 25

On Sunday, January 25 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., the FCBA will be preparing and distributing food at the FCBA Foundation’s partner charity, Martha’s Table. The FCBA has been meeting monthly to volunteer at Martha’s Table for many years. Martha’s Table feeds hundreds of homeless adults and children on the streets of Washington daily, through its mobile soup kitchen. Martha’s Table is located in a yellow building at 2114 Fourteenth Street, NW, in the District, near the intersection of 14th and U Streets. On-street parking is available. Volunteers are asked to bring food if possible, (e.g., cold cuts, bread, peanut butter, jelly, vegetables and potatoes) because the center often runs out of donated food. Any food donated by volunteers might not be used the same day you volunteer; any food donations will be used at the discretion of Martha’s Table staff.

Please mark your calendars, bring your friends and children (they must be at least nine years old), and participate in this great volunteer effort. If you have question or need more information, please contact Howard Weiss at 703-812-0471, weiss@fhhlaw.com.

The FCBA volunteers on the last Sunday of every month, so mark your calendars now!

In order to volunteer, go to http://fcba.marthastable.volunteerhub.com/. Please also notify Howard Weiss, weiss@fhhlaw.com.

Volunteer Cancellation Policy: Our ability to serve the community is based on the hard work of our volunteers and many supporters.

■■ If you schedule and DO NOT show up for your shift, we CAN NOT serve the community to the best of our ability.
■■ 24 hour canceling or rescheduling notice is required. In the event that you are unable to come in for your volunteer shift please contact the Volunteer Program Assistant so that Martha’s Table can make other arrangements.
■■ Because we depend so heavily on volunteers, we need to make sure we recruit RELIABLE volunteers. If you do not provide us with 24 hours’ notice, we will have to reconsider whether we can reschedule for a future volunteer date(s).
Laura Holloway Carter

By: Laura Phillips

I recently sat down with Microsoft’s Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs -- Telecommunications and Internet Governance, Laura Holloway Carter. In addition to being a delightful lunch companion, Laura and I have known one another since the early Nextel days, when she was one of the ground floor employees at the company. Laura was with Nextel, and then Sprint Nextel, until 2008. After a brief stint at Alltel (and then Verizon after the acquisition of Alltel), she decided that having worked on a range of matters both at the federal and state level that a new company without an extensive group of telecom attorneys could make good use of her insights and talents. She was not looking to move across the country, but the opportunity presented itself. Laura took the plunge and moved to Seattle, where she has been for nearly six years, doing a range of advising on major communications law and policy issues for a really small tech startup called Microsoft.

Q: What attracted you to the field of communications?

A: I was originally an oil and gas lawyer at Vinson and Elkins in DC. I grew up in Oklahoma, so that seemed like a good fit, but as often happens, fate intervened. A dear friend of mine from Tulsa (and an early cellular investor), Bob Tuppy, was good friends with Morgan O’Brien. Morgan and Bob Foosaner, along with some others, were just starting to build the DC office of Nextel soon after the 1993 Budget Act established the new “Commercial Mobile Radio Services” regulatory framework. In true Washington, DC fashion, I was at a party where Foosaner happened to mention to my friend, Tutty, that they needed a young lawyer, just a few years out of law school. Tutty grabbed me, walked me over to Morgan and Bob and introduced me. And, as they say, the rest is history. Twenty years later I find that I am still practicing telecom law – an area about which I knew nothing the day I first interviewed with Nextel. Ironically enough, just days before my first interview I had never even heard the word “spectrum.” Luckily, I convinced Foosaner that I had good solid APA experience from my FERC practice days, so that helped. I started off at the company as a “General Attorney” and ended as Vice President, Regulatory and Government Affairs. When I started, the company did not yet have a working network or a phone to sell. We built our government affairs office and functions out over time and I am so proud of what we accomplished as a team.

Q: Tell our readers whether you were deliberate in your career progression and how things unfolded.

A: As you can probably tell from my first answer, I can’t say that I really had deliberate plans – other than I knew I wanted to live and work in Washington, DC. But, I can say that I was open to new opportunities when what I was doing was not keeping me really engaged. After being caught in the consolidation of the wireless industry, I was not entirely sure what I wanted to do next. I had noticed a posting for the Telecom regulatory slot at Microsoft, but since it was in Seattle, I did not pursue it, as my life and family were in DC. Months later a friend who knew the then head regulatory person at Microsoft urged me to consider the opportunity since he was sure that I would enjoy the responsibilities and the people, and I am so glad I did. Midway through the first exploratory conversation with Microsoft my brain literally flip-flopped, almost mid-sentence, from saying “Why am I talking to these folks? I cannot move to Seattle” to “Gee, I can see myself in Seattle doing really interesting work with these really smart folks.” So that again shows I had no preconceived career plan I was executing, and that is just fine. My advice would be to just make sure that what you are doing is interesting to you professionally and intellectually challenging. Looking back at my experience I would also say that it shows that your network of friends and colleagues can be invaluable contacts and mentors. You just never know how things might turn out if you try something different. I was fortunate too that my husband was very supportive and willing to join in on the cross country adventure.

Q: What is the most challenging part of your current position and why?

A: Microsoft is such a large company with such a broad and diverse set of products and services. We engage in so many different areas of the Internet ecosystem, and while I find what we do on many fronts to be intellectually stimulating, there are times where I am faced with an enormous set of complicated imponderables that have to be weighed as we thread the needle in areas of communications public policy. That can be challenging, but most often it is challenging in a good way -- it is truly great to work with a bunch of committed, crazy smart people. It is particularly rewarding because it has provided me the opportunity to take my many years of experience in wireless telecom policy and apply it to a new set of facts – that of cloud services offered over the global Internet.

Q: What are you reading now?

A: I am a non-fiction reader primarily, but recently I’ve been engaged in a “book club” with my 15-year old. We have read “The Book Thief” by Markus Zusak, two of the Hunger Games trilogy and are in the process of finishing the third, “The Mockingjay.” After we finish the book we watch the movie together, and I’m thrilled to report he thinks the books are always better than the movies! Outside of our little two-person book club

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club, I'm reading an oldie – “Is Paris Burning” by Dominque LaPierre. Next up may be another oldie – a book called “Endurance” by Alfred Lansing. Liz Sachs – a friend and mentor for whom I have the communications bar to thank! -- recommended it to me on my last trip to DC.

Q: What surprised or impressed you most about the people you've worked with and why?

A: Now that I am no longer local to DC, I have to say I am surprised how much the FCBA and my FCBA friends mean to me personally and professionally. It is one of those things that I now see I took for granted when I was in the same city with everyone. I really enjoy getting back to DC and catching up with my friends and colleagues.

Q: Can you share a perspective on pitfalls to avoid or other career advice for those who are just getting started in the communications field?

A: This may seem a little trite, but there is really no substitute for taking the time to be well prepared for whatever it is you are doing. I remember as a young lawyer, having come from the University of Oklahoma, I was a little intimidated by everyone around me with their Ivy League credentials. But having prepared for whatever it was I was doing, including asking lots and lots of questions of anyone around me who knew more than I knew about a subject, I think I was usually able to hold my own. I learned that lesson from a mentor who was a Member of Congress. He always said that he might not be the smartest guy in the room, but he always was confident there would be no one else around the table more prepared. So, take the time to do the work required to prepare well.

The other thing I can think of in terms of career advice relates to what I mentioned before, and that is: be open to opportunities and possibilities. When I look back at leaving behind a job at an established law firm for what was, in 1994, a really small startup, I now understand what a risk that was. At the time, I did not really appreciate that the company might not make it and what a chance I was taking. But, taking that kind of chance turned out to be the best professional move I ever made. And, taking that kind of chance is particularly important early in your career when you are still sort of figuring things out. Up until we were talking now about this I thought I was not much of a risk taker. Really, I need to reassess that now!

Q: What's something interesting about you that people are not generally aware of and you are willing to share?

A: As some of my FCBA friends know already, earlier this year I became a mother for the first time. My husband and I have taken legal guardianship of a 15-year old boy from Seattle. He moved in with us in February, enrolled in high school “on the Eastside” – the suburbs across Lake Washington from Seattle – and immediately joined the baseball, football and basketball teams. His busy schedule, combined with my busy work schedule, has given me a new-found appreciation for all of my working parent colleagues both inside and outside the FCBA! Thankfully, my husband is a great dad and mentor to Tae'Shuan so, between the two of us, we are managing fairly well so far!

Q: How long have you been an FCBA member and what is the value of FCBA membership?

A: I've been an FCBA member since I started at Nextel in 1994. I really look forward to events where people get to spend unstructured time together, like the Annual Seminar. In fact, I enjoy it so much I've made the trek from Seattle to the seminar several times since moving to Microsoft. I also value the substantive programming available through the FCBA. But the social or partially social events allow such great opportunities to get to know one another. I credit these events and the people I met along the way with helping me along my career path. What is remarkable is that by attending FCBA events, you find you develop real friendships with people you might not otherwise have met. I enjoy the diversity of people active within the association. We just have great characters and great members.

While I have always appreciated the FCBA and all it does, the feeling is different now. Once you are no longer routinely physically present in the DC metro area, I think you appreciate the bond even more. Having the association with the FCBA from afar is important to me professionally and personally and fortunately we do have a local chapter active in Seattle. Interested in learning more about another FCBA member? If there is a member you'd like to know better, please contact Laura Phillips at laura.phillips@dbr.com.
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