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Newsletter of the Federal Communications Bar Association

FCBA Meet and Greet the FCC / NTIA Bureau and Office Chiefs Reception to be held on October 16

The FCBA is pleased to announce a reception to meet and greet the FCC and NTIA Bureau and Office Chiefs on Wednesday, October 16 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. The reception will be held at the JW Marriott, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

Sponsorships of the event are available for \$700 and \$400 and include registrations to the reception. Sponsors will receive recognition

for their support at the event, in promotional emails and the newsletter, and on the website and other social media outlets. Individual tickets to the reception may also be purchased.

To register an individual, click here or use the form on page 14. See page 14 for sponsor registration. See a list of reception sponsors on page 6.

FCBA 33rd Annual Chairman's Dinner on December 10

The 33rd Annual Chairman's Dinner will be held **Tuesday**, **December 10** at the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW. The evening will begin with a reception at 5:45 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:15 p.m. in the International



FCC Chairman Ajit Pai

Ballroom and will be followed by remarks from FCC Chairman Ajit Pai. Sponsor's tables include a \$350.00 tax deductible donation to the FCBA Foundation.

Please use the registration form on page 15 to order tables or individual tickets.

INVITING GOVERNMENT GUESTS

Pursuant to the Office of Government Ethics regulation on widely attended gatherings (5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(2)), the Chairman's Dinner appears to qualify as



2018 FCBA Charity Auction

The FCBA Charity Auction Turns 30 ~ Join us on November 7!

The FCBA Young Lawyers Committee and the FCBA Foundation will hold their 30th Annual Charity Auction on Thursday, November 7, at the Sphinx Club at the Almas Temple, 1315 K Street, NW, Washington, DC, from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. This annual event has evolved since 1990, when the Young

Upcoming Key Events

Legislative / Wireless Committees Brown Bag Lunch

Date/Time: Friday, October 18, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. **Location:** Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP, 1919 M Street, NW, 8th Floor

Topic: Featuring key Congressional staffers responsible for advising Members of Congress on policy issues related to the wireless industry

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Internet of Things / Privacy and Data Security Committees CLE Seminar

Date/Time: Tuesday, October

29, 2:00 – 4:15 p.m. **Location:** Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, 1500 K Street, NW **Topic:** Securing IoT Devices: Evaluating Varying Ways to Enhance Cybersecurity Protections

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Telehealth Committee Brown Bag Lunch

Date/Time: Monday, November 4, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. **Location:** Wiley Rein/Signal, 1750 K Street, NW, 2nd Floor **Topic:** Telehealth in Women's Healthcare: Key Trends and Issues

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Sign Up to Receive Committee and Chapter Notices

If you would like to sign up for or update the committee(s)/ chapter(s) you are on, fill out the form on page 18 of this newsletter and send it to the FCBA, 1020 19th Street, NW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20036, fax: 202-293-4317, or email: elizabeth@fcba.org.

Have a Comment, Idea, or Question for the FCBA?

Email **fcba@fcba.org**. We're always here to assist and are interested in your thoughts on programming, services, or anything else you'd like to share!

PRESIDENT'S Message

DEAR FELLOW MEMBERS:

Last weekend, I got to attend my [redacted] th year law school reunion. While it was great to be back in Ann Arbor and see old friends, all of the changes at the law school got me thinking about how much communications law and policy has changed since I graduated. When I started school, we operated on a cutting-



edge "Pendaflex" messaging system, which consisted of literal paper folders that you had to check every day. One of our biggest struggles through the year was getting the law school to upgrade its Intel 386 computers and Netscape browsers, so that students could look at law firm websites—at least, those firms that were cutting-edge enough to have set one up. These days, the Pendaflexes exist almost purely for nostalgia, relegated to group use in the new student game room (!!), and the school has built out a gorgeous commons with plenty of space for students to bring their internet with them, all accessible wirelessly, through both licensed and unlicensed spectrum.

It has been an amazing time to practice as a communications lawyer, witnessing (and being a part of) all of the changes over the past (cough) years. But the reunion also got me thinking about the FCBA, and how lucky we as practitioners are to have such a tight-knit group that provides such a ready source of dialogue, education, and friendship. From the reunion, I went straight to the Young Lawyers' Committee Pep Rally at 3 Stars Brewing, and was reminded that over the years I've had some of the best experiences and made some great and enduring friendships as part of the FCBA.

This month we have the Bureau Chiefs' Reception coming up on October 16, and then our Octoberfest social hour on October 30. As always, we've got a great group of CLEs and brown bags, too. Happy Halloween!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with your questions, comments, and recommendations at: **jturner@wileyrein.com** or 202-719-4807.

Josh Turner FCBA President

Committee and Chapter Sign-Up

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Russell P. Hanser

Tuesday, October 29, 2:00 – 4:15 p.m. Securing IoT Devices: Evaluating Varying Ways to Enhance Cybersecurity Protections

The FCBA Internet of Things and Privacy and Data Security Committees will cosponsor a CLE on Tuesday, October 29 from 2:00 – 4:15 p.m. entitled "Securing IoT Devices: Evaluating Varying Ways to Enhance Cybersecurity Protections." This program will be held at Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, 1500 K Street, NW.

To register, click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events or use the form on page 13.

Connected devices are proliferating in cars, homes and businesses. As these devices continue to gain in popularity and utility, concerns are growing over whether the devices are safe from hacking and malicious use. Protecting such devices involves a delicate mixture of voluntary, "carrot" approaches and mandatory, "stick" requirements. Manufacturers of devices, creators of software, vendors, and network providers, among others, must stay aware of ongoing developments. In this program, we will look at the different approaches being used, their roles and the potential future of IoT device security.

Agenda

2:00 – 2:05 p.m. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2:05 - 3:05 p.m. VOLUNTARY APPROACHES TO THE PROTECTION OF IOT DEVICES

Industry and the Federal government are working on a number of voluntary initiatives to protect the security of IoT devices. The National Institute of Standards and Technology has been adapting its "risk-based" guidance to cybersecurity for IoT, including draft guidance outlining cybersecurity considerations for manufacturers of securable IoT devices. Meanwhile, industry groups are also developing their own sets of best practices and, in some cases, certifications. Panelists will provide an update on developments in these areas.

Moderator:

Steve Augustino, Partner, Kelley Drye

Speakers:

Katerina Megas, Program Manager, NIST Cybersecurity for Internet of Things (IoT) Program

Jamie Susskind, Vice President, Policy and Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Technology Association

Rob Cantu, Director, Cybersecurity, CTIA

3:05 – 3:15 p.m. BREAK

3:15 – 4:15 p.m. SHAPING THE LEGAL AND REGULATORY LANDSCAPE

The Administration's cybersecurity policy calls for industry-led and developed cybersecurity processes and standards, but Federal legislation, state laws and discrete policy initiatives may backstop those standards with a variety of enforceable obligations. This panel

will discuss pending Federal legislation, recent laws in California and Oregon, and other policy initiatives that will shape requirements to be followed by industry actors in the IoT space.

Moderator:

Dana Zelman, Associate, DLA Piper

Speakers:

Christian Fjeld, Vice President, ML Strategies

Beau Woods, Deputy Director, Atlantic

To Update Your Membership Contact Information

We'd like to remind everyone that if you have any changes to your membership contact information, please contact Elizabeth Hagerty (elizabeth@fcba.org). In order to keep a cohesive look to both our online and hard copy directories, we do not allow members to make any changes to their information themselves. Also note that we do not include prefixes or titles in any of our member listings.

Are you a member who can add to our programming as a speaker? Do you know someone who is? Can you think of a topic that should be the subject of an event?

The FCBA invites you to send your ideas! Our committees are always looking for potential speakers from diverse backgrounds. The Diversity Committee is compiling a database of FCBA members who want to add to the conversation on substantive topics as speakers and moderators. If you are interested, please send an email to Janeen Wynn, <code>janeen@fcba.org</code>, with your name, affiliation, and topics about which you have knowledge with the subject line "FCBA Speakers Bureau." The Diversity Committee will compile this database on a rolling basis and make it available to all committee co-chairs. FCBA committee co-chairs should feel free to use the Diversity Committee as a resource when identifying speakers or moderators for other events.

COMMITTEE AND CHAPTER Events

Internet of Things Committee

Event: CLE Seminar co-sponsored by the Privacy and Data Security Committee **Date/Time:** Tuesday, October 29, 2:00 –

4:15 p.m.

Location: Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, 1500

K Street, NW

Topic: Securing IoT Devices: Evaluating Varying Ways to Enhance Cybersecurity

Protections

For more information: See page 3.
To register: Click here or go to the FCBA
Website – Calendar of Events or use the form on page 13.

Legislative Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch co-hosted by the Wireless Committee

Date/Time: Friday, October 18, 12:15 -

1:30 p.m.

Location: Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP,

1919 M Street, NW, 8th Floor

Topic: Featuring key Congressional staffers responsible for advising Members of Congress on policy issues related to the wireless industry. With Democrats recently gaining a majority in the House and Senate Republicans retaining control of the Senate, we will learn how agendas differ in the two chambers and the prospects for passing legislation in a time of divided government. The brown bag will also provide an opportunity for FCBA members to get to know key staffers responsible for advising House and Senate legislators on wireless communications issues, learn about their roles, as well as their bosses' priorities for the 116th Congress.

To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Mass Media Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch

Date/Time: Tuesday, November 12,

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: TBA

Topic: LPTV/TV Translator/FM post-incentive auction transition reimbursement **Panelists:** Jean Kiddoo, Chair, Incentive Auction Task Force; Hillary DeNigro, Deputy Chair, Incentive Auction Task Force; Jeffrey Neuman, Chief Engineer, Media Bureau; Barbara Kreisman, Chief, Video Division; Dana Leavitt, Special Counsel, Video Division

To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Wireless Telecommunications Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch co-hosted by the

Legislative Committee

Date/Time: Friday, October 18, 12:15 – 1

:30 p.m.

Location: Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP, 1919 M Street, NW, 8th Floor

Topic: Featuring key Congressional staffers responsible for advising Members of Congress on policy issues related to the wireless industry. With Democrats recently gaining a majority in the House and Senate Republicans retaining control of the Senate, we will learn how agendas differ in the two chambers and the prospects for passing legislation in a time of divided government. The brown bag will also provide an opportunity for FCBA members to get to know key staffers responsible for advising House and Senate legislators on wireless communications issues, learn about their roles, as well as their bosses' priorities for the 116th Congress.

To RSVP: Click here or go to the FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.

Telehealth Committee

Event: Brown Bag Lunch

Date/Time: Monday, November 4, 12:15 –

1:30 p.m.

Location: Wiley Rein/Signal, 1750 K Street,

NW, 2nd Floor

Topic: Telehealth in Women's Healthcare: Key

Trends and Issues

Telehealth companies are increasingly looking to provide services to support women at all stages of life. Many platforms work to develop technologies that better deliver maternal and child care, family planning and fertility services. However, there is increasing recognition that there are distinct service needs across a woman's healthcare continuum and telehealth companies are expanding and innovating to deliver comprehensive care that responds to those needs. Join us for a session to meet women's telehealth leaders who will talk about opportunities and challenges in this growing market. The discussions will be led by a women's health advocate guiding discussion. On-Demand Women's Healthcare: New telehealth platforms deliver a range of healthcare services to women. These companies offer care that is more convenient and compassionate to women. Corporate leaders will share insights on how women's telehealth is disrupting care delivery to create a healthier future with more engaged consumers.

To RSVP: Click here or go to the **FCBA Website – Calendar of Events**.

New England Chapter

Event: Current Issues Conference (in association with Boston University College of Communication)

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 15, 2:00 –

5:00 p.m. (reception to follow)

Location: Boston University Photonics Center, 8 St Marys Street, Boston, MA 02215 **Topic:** "Whither the Traditional Telephone Network?" (an exploration of the current status of and prospects for traditional local exchange carrier landline telephone network)

Speakers: Trina Bragdon, General Counsel, Otelco; Sarah Davis, Senior Director-Government Relations and Wholesale Strategies, Consolidated Communications; Anna-Maria Kovacs, Senior Visiting Policy Scholar, Georgetown University Center for Business & Public Policy; Sherry Lichtenberg, Principal on Telecommunications Research and Policy, National Regulatory Research Institute; Daniel Lyons, Professor, Boston College Law School; Clay Purvis, Director of Telecommunications, VT Public Service Department; Paul Vasington, Director-Public Policy, Verizon. Additional speakers to be added

To RSVP: Click here or go to the **FCBA Website – Calendar of Events.**

Put the A+ in FCBA! Volunteers Needed for the 30th Annual Charity Auction

The FCBA Charity Auction is turning 30 and the celebration is just a few short months away mark your calendars for Thursday, November 7, 2019 to raise funds for this year's beneficiaries, the Modern Classrooms Project and the FCBA **Foundation!** In order to make this one of the best auctions yet, the Auction Committee is looking for enthusiastic and energetic volunteers to help obtain prize donations from businesses in and around the Beltway. Prize gathering is a wonderful way to get out in the community and network with other members of the bar, while also helping to guarantee the success of the Charity Auction! No prior experience necessary! To volunteer or get more information, contact FCBAAuction@gmail.com.

SPECIAL Events

Tuesday, December 10 - Thursday, December 11 PLI/FCBA 37th Annual Institute on Telecommunications Policy & Regulation

Presented by Practising Law Institute in cooperation with the Federal Communications Bar Association, premier conference on telecommunications policy and regulation features a faculty of top practitioners, inhouse counsel from telecommunications organizations, and senior officials from the FCC who will provide attendees with in-depth understanding of current issues facing the telecommunications industry today. This year's Institute will be held on Tuesday, December 10 and Wednesday, December 11 at the Grand Hyatt Washington, 1000 H Street NW, Washington, DC.

The program will address recent trends and the critical developments in wireless, wireline telecommunications, media, spectrum, privacy and so much more. The Institute also addresses industry trends and convergence and consolidation. For those seeking an end-of-year review of the significant telecommunications developments of 2019 while looking ahead at legal challenges in store for 2020, this is your program.

Scott D. Delacourt, Michele C. Farquhar, and Bryan N. Tramont of the FCBA's Conference Planning Committee will serve as Institute Co-Chairs. In addition, the program will include featured speakers from the FCC, including FCC Commissioners and Bureau Chiefs, and numerous FCBA members will moderate or participate on the various program segments. Please visit www.pli.edu/telecom for up-to-the-date schedule and faculty information.

A registration form for the 1½ day seminar is on page 16. As noted, a 10%

registration fee discount is available to FCBA members

Join us this year to find out why the Institute is one of the best telecommunications conferences in the country.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Featured Speakers: FCC Commissioners, Bureau Chiefs, and senior government officials
- Recent Developments and a Look Ahead:
 - Wireless, wireline, privacy, satellite, and more
 - Legislative update from current Capitol Hill staffers
 - Enforcement priorities and key issues being looked at by the administration
 - Shorter "bite-size" sessions on specialty topics
- Luncheon and Featured Speaker: Hear from a key player in the telecommunications industry and network with faculty and colleagues

Interested in Hosting an FCBA event?

The FCBA greatly appreciates the support of our members' firms and companies who provide space for our brown bag lunches, committee meetings, and CLE Seminars throughout the year. We are, however, always looking for new locations that can host FCBA events.

In general, we need conference rooms that can seat at least 30 people at tables for brown bag lunches and committee meetings and conference rooms that can seat at least 60 people theatre style for CLE seminars. Firms and companies hosting brown bag lunches provide beverages and desserts; firms and companies hosting CLE seminars provide beverages and snacks. Brown bag lunches are generally held from 12:00-1:30 p.m. and CLE seminars are generally held from 12:00-2:15 p.m., 3:00-5:15 p.m., or 6:00-8:15 p.m. Additionally, for CLE seminars we need facilities that can provide technology support for microphones for as many as six speakers on a panel, the ability to tie the house sound system into a teleconference bridge, and video projection capabilities for PowerPoint presentations. If your firm or company has the needed conference room facilities and capabilities and would be willing to host future FCBA activities, please email **Kerry Loughney**, **kerry@fcba.org**.

The FCLJ is Looking for Articles

The Federal Communications Law Journal (FCLJ) editorial board at The George Washington University Law School is seeking article submissions for potential publication in the upcoming issues of the FCLJ. Interested members may submit articles to the Senior Articles Editor, Kyle Gutierrez (fcljarticles@law.gwu.edu). Articles may also be submitted through ExpressO or Scholastica. For general inquiries about the FCLJ, please contact the Editor-in-Chief, Tawanna Lee (fclj@law.gwu.edu).

Save the Date of

Thursday, November 7, 2019 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. for the 30th Annual FCBA Charity Auction

LOCATION:

The Sphinx Club at the Almas Temple 1315 K Street, NW Washington, DC

To volunteer, contact FCBAAuction@gmail.com. Volunteers are needed now!

To purchase raffle tickets, contact Sarah Leggin (**SLeggin@ctia.org**) or Brian Indovina (bpindo@gmail.com).

If you are interested in sponsoring or have any questions, please contact Thom Parisi (**tparisi@cov.com**) or Janeen Wynn (**janeen@fcba.org**).

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CHAIRMAN'S DINNER

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a widely attended gathering. The value of an individual ticket to the dinner is \$335.00. Most employees of the Federal Communications Commission may be directly invited to attend the dinner as guests of individuals and organizations without the involvement of the FCBA. However, individuals who have signed the Administration's Ethics pledge cannot accept invitations from registered lobbying organizations or registered lobbyists. Some agencies, departments and branches of the Federal Government may apply additional stipulations above the regulations issued by the Office of Government Ethics. While this event has qualified as a widely attended gathering in previous years, each FCC employee is required to obtain individual ethics clearance based on matters they are working on within the Commission. **Employees of the Commerce Department** are required to obtain individual ethics clearance through the Department's Office of General Counsel. Invitations to Members of Congress, Congressional Staff, and employees of the Department of State must be issued by the FCBA. Contact the FCBA for additional information.

Requests for invitations to be sent from the FCBA must be emailed to kerry@fcba. org by Friday, November 15. Invitees will be placed at the discretion of the FCBA.

Join the FCBA on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram!

Did you know that FCBA has a Facebook page and Twitter and Instagram accounts? The FCBA Social Media Committee invites you to "Like" and "Follow" our pages today to be in the loop for upcoming events, share fun pictures of your FCBA friends and colleagues, and grow your social media network! Come join the conversation on **Facebook**, **Twitter** (@FCBALaw) and -- newly launched -- **Instagram** (@fcba law).

CHARITY AUCTION

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Lawyers Committee ("YLC") held its inaugural "Charity Holiday Happy Hour" to benefit Project Northstar. In February 1991, the FCBA Newsletter praised the inaugural auction, which raised over \$4,000 dollars, and noted that the YLC "hope[d] to make the Charity Happy Hour an annual, FCBA-wide effort[.]" The YLC members of 1990 got their wish. This year, the now-named FCBA Charity Auction celebrates 30 years of fundraising and it remains an FCBA-wide event that showcases the generosity of the FCBA member community.

Kristine (Fargotstein) Hackman, Vice President, Policy & Advocacy at USTelecom and a former YLC Co-Chair and 2016 Auction Chair cannot praise enough the hundreds of volunteers that work each year to bring the Auction to life. She also notes that "the Charity Auction brings the entire bar together no matter the side of an issue or the aisle someone is on. Everyone is united in a common goal: raising money for an amazing beneficiary and the FCBA Foundation, and having a wonderful time while they do it!"

"Our Auction is special," says Mark Schneider, Senior Counsel at Sidley, long-time auction volunteer, and former Chair of the FCBA Foundation. Schneider explains that he works with partners who are members of other specialty bar associations and they are in awe of the FCBA Charity Auction, how well-attended it is, and how much good it is able to do for the local community.

Part of that success Schneider suspects is the effort that goes into selecting the beneficiary each year. "The Auction Committee strives to select beneficiaries in our community for which the money will be a real difference-maker," he said. This year's beneficiary is no different. Proceeds will benefit the **FCBA Foundation** and the **Modern Classrooms Project**, which is working to redesign the classroom to better serve students from low-income communities in the DC area

And of course, technology may change – the grand raffle prize in 1994 was two MCI VideoPhones – but the Charity

Auction always has terrific prizes to be won. In addition to the unique prizes at the silent auction and the live auction, this year's the grand raffle prize will be a 65-inch LG OLED 4K Ultra HD TV, courtesy of LG Electronics USA.

At each Charity Auction, memories are made, old friends catch up, new friends connect, and bidding rivalries take place – possibly continuing from one year to the next. And, as Hackman observes, one should never underestimate the ability that some people have to sprint across a crowded room 15 seconds before bidding closes to make sure they win their prize.

In addition to bringing the bar together in unified support of great causes, Schneider and Hackman agree that an important feature of the Auction is its unparalleled opportunity for young attorneys to get to know other members of the bar whom they may not interact with in their day-to-day practice.

Bryan Tramont, the Managing Partner at Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP, and long-

time auction volunteer, remembers fondly the several years served as volunteer coordinator for the "army" of volunteers that help run the auction. "Nothing was more fun than developing the silent auction table pairings to bring together amazing veteran attorney volunteers and rising stars from area law schools. It's a chance for FCBA members to pay it forward while supporting great causes," he said. "Many members of the FCBA got their start volunteering at the Charity Auction," Hackman adds.

Ultimately, the Charity Auction's continued success is due to you, the FCBA members who donate prizes, sell raffle tickets, and bid so generously. The YLC and the FCBA Foundation thank the FCBA community for its continued support these past 30 years and look forward to many more memorable nights and great causes. See you November 7th!

If you have any questions about the Charity Auction, please contact Thom Parisi (**TParisi@cov.com**) or Janeen Wynn (**janeen@fcba.org**).

The Auction Committee Would Like to Thank the Following Sponsors of this Year's Event!

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FCBA CHARITY AUCTION Through the Years











FCBA CHARITY AUCTION Through the Years











Get to Know an FCBA MEMBER

Jeff Blum

By: Laura Phillips

So it's already September – actually October by the time you read this. Time to get serious about work and everything there is to do between now and the dawn of 2020. I ignored all that and instead I was lucky to have time to catch up with Jeff Blum, who is Senior Vice President, Public Policy and Government Affairs for DISH. Jeff has been with DISH for nearly fourteen years and as you can tell from our discussion,



he is still enjoying the variety of business and regulatory challenges that come his way as the head of the DISH Washington office.

What attracted you to the field of communications?

After I got out of law school I clerked in Boston and then worked in New York for Patterson Belknap. Then I had the opportunity to go to Davis Wright and Tremaine to work with the legendary Victor Kovner, and there I handled a wide range of First Amendment and copyright issues. It was amazing and exciting and I eventually became a partner there. Also, I have always been interested in technology – for example, when I was a kid, I built my own computers from Radio Shack parts. So advancing and becoming a partner at Davis Wright Tremaine in technology, intellectual property and First Amendment issues was a pretty logical step. I also did anti-privacy litigation against P2P filesharing entities such as Grokster. That was not only fun, I got some vindication from the cases that was gratifying.

About the time my then-wife and I adopted our daughter from China, my best friend from law school reached out to me and suggested I might enjoy working in-house in Denver at DISH. While in Denver from 2005 to 2009, I was in charge of managing DISH's litigation. At that point, my wife got a plum government job in DC and it was time to have a chat with DISH's Chairman Charlie Ergen about whether there was something I might do in DC for the company. In true Charlie Ergen fashion he said "well, you have no regulatory experience, you've never worked at the FCC or on Capitol Hill, do you want to run our DC office?" So since

2009, I've built the DC DISH team, which is small, compared to our competitors. It's me, two FCC attorneys and two lobbyists. We just hired a public policy person.

Have things unfolded in your career more or less the way you planned?

My career progression was not at all what I would've thought it would be when I pondered it in middle school back in San Antonio, Texas. I was really interested in pursuing acting then. I distinctly remember the high school debate coach, Mr. Logan, standing in the cafeteria, trying to persuade me to devote my extra circular efforts to the debate team in high school. At that precise moment, one of my actor friends walked or depending upon your point of view, weaved down the hall wearing a bed sheet. And Mr. Logan turned and asked me "is that what you want for your life"? It was one of those pivotal moments you remember so clearly - I decided I was going to be on the high school debate team then and there. I'm not an actor anymore. I think the debate team and my interest in history and political science and my interest in persuading people destined me to become a lawyer.

What's the most interesting or challenging thing that you've done in your current position?

There's no one single thing, but a raft of interesting complex work I've had the good fortune to be a part of. DISH has participated on a number of important and challenging

issues, including on the Comcast/Time Warner merger, net neutrality, STELA reauthorization legislation and of course the still pending T-Mobile/Sprint merger. DISH often bucks the general trend in many areas so that means sometimes we take positions that may not be popular with the incumbents. Even so, one of the values that we instill at DISH is that the company is always fact based and credible in whatever policy position we take.

I have to say the most exciting part of being at DISH right now is that we're handling our transformation from mature video business to becoming a 5G connectivity company.

Is there someone really interesting you've worked with or who surprised or impressed you during your career and why?

Charlie Ergen, the Chairman of DISH, is a quite impressive guy to work with. He's always thinking eight moves ahead of everyone else and his business vision is inspiring. But as I said before, we at DISH try to get things right and get it right the first time. We strive to present consistently good quality work that is based on the facts. Even if you don't agree with a particular position we are taking on an issue, you can't really argue that we don't.

I also have to give a shout out for a couple of the extraordinary people I've worked with in my outside law firms over the years. Bryan Tramont for example is so respected because he's just got great judgment. Then of course there's Pantelis Michalopoulos, who answers his phone on the first ring and always treats us like we're his only client for the last 20 years.

Q: What do you enjoy reading?

I really enjoy reading history. My nightstand includes the Chernow biography of Grant and Margaret Atwood's latest, The Testaments. The book club I belong to just finished reading The Power

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Get to Know an FCBA MEMBER

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by Naomi Alderman. My favorites books are Les Misérables, Lonesome Dove and Snowcrash.

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

Seek out the job that you know you will like versus taking something simply because you think it's going to look good on your resume long term. If you do what you really enjoy, things tend to work out. It would be great if you are able to spend some time in the early part of your career working at the FCC or on the Hill, but whatever you do, don't shy away from challenges or hard work. And learn everything you can.

What is something interesting about you that people are not generally aware of that you're willing to share?

I already told you about my acting bug that was squashed in middle school in favor of debate. I really enjoy cycling when I have time for it. Doing one exotic travel adventure with the family each year has been so meaningful and fun. And I love to play epic story-based video games after my partner, Rachel, and two daughters, Jia and Amelia, go to sleep.

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

I joined the FCBA when I came to Washington to head up the DISH office in 2009. The communications bar is pretty small and establishing your reputation is essential. The FCBA is a great venue to do that.

I also think it's important that while we may disagree on legal or policy issues, the FCBA, through CLEs and social events, allows us to mingle and maintain mutual respect for one another even when people are on totally opposite sides of a heated

issue. When I see someone at a FCBA social event, those can be really valuable professional and personal interactions. The FCBA facilitates the creation and maintenance of important relationships that can help you in ways you may not even think about.

With 5G coming to the fore, there will be exciting times ahead for everyone involved in the FCBA and the communications bar.

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**.

The Federal Communications Law Journal

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Tuesday, December 10, 2019

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