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Objective

Leverage ITU leadership skills and experience to serve as Vice-Chair for the Americas in the Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITR), in order to advance successful outcomes in line with PP Resolution 146.

Experience (Telecommunications/ICT)

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

Attorney-Advisor, International Bureau

Washington, DC, Aug. 2014 – present

Advocate for U.S. and regional interests in the international telecommunications/ICT policy arena.

Facilitate U.S. and regional activities in the International Telecommunication Union (ITU):

- **Engaged actively in all six meetings of the last EG-ITR** (Sept. 2019 to Jan. 2022), drafting U.S. contributions and monitoring discussions as a main CITELE participant.
- Contributed significantly to U.S. and regional preparations and participation in the 2022 ITU Plenipotentiary Conference:
 - Coordinated with the U.S. delegation to analyze policy options and develop U.S. positions and priorities.
 - Drafted U.S. proposals and negotiated with regional partners to facilitate consensus positions within CITELE.
 - Led successful negotiations for key proposals and **served as U.S./CITELE co-spokesperson for PP Resolution 146 (Periodic review of the International Telecommunication Regulations)**.
- Spearheaded FCC preparations and participation in the 2020 World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly, co-leading working groups within the U.S. delegation and CITELE to develop U.S./regional positions and proposals.
 - Served as overall U.S. lead for Committee 3, monitoring negotiations on 62 proposals.
 - Led negotiations as U.S. spokesperson for eight proposals, achieving favorable outcomes that strengthened ITU-T efficiency and effectiveness.
- Lead FCC participation in the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T):
 - Serve as U.S. Head of Delegation to ITU-T Study Group 2 (SG2) (numbering and operational issues) and ITU-T Study Group 3 (SG3) (economic and policy issues), coordinating U.S. interagency preparatory processes to develop positions and proposals, writing U.S. contributions, and representing the United States as spokesperson.
 - Serve as U.S. Deputy Head of Delegation to the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group (TSAG).

- Promote ITU goals and objectives through ITU-T leadership roles:
 - Serve as SG3 Vice-Chair and WP1/3 Vice-Chair, actively contributing to management team decision-making to help shape successful Study Group outcomes.
 - Serve as Q1/2 Associate Rapporteur in SG2 and concurrently sit on the Numbering Coordination Team (NCT), an expert advisory group within SG2, providing guidance to the TSB Director on the allocation of global numbering resources.

Manage Asia-Pacific portfolio, directing FCC engagement to advance policy objectives in the region:

- Act as a liaison between FCC and regulatory counterparts in the region, establishing and cultivating strategic relationships with key stakeholders.
- Represent the United States in regional telecommunications fora, *e.g.*, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Telecommunications & Information Working Group, speaking on panels and workshops as the U.S. subject matter expert.
- Brief FCC Chairman, Commissioners, and other principals in preparation for international meetings and events, preparing and presenting deliverables (policy memos, issue briefs, etc.) and tailoring targeted messaging (talking points, remarks, etc.) to advance priority policy goals.
- Lead FCC participation in high-level bilateral dialogues, furthering closer collaboration between policymakers on key issues.
- Foster information exchange and best practice sharing, *e.g.*, negotiated cooperative agreements between FCC and regulatory counterparts in India and Japan.
- Track, analyze, and advise on foreign legal developments and global regulatory trends, identifying opportunities for policy advocacy and contributing to FCC reports and rulemakings.

Education

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC

Juris Doctor with a Certificate in Refugees & Humanitarian Emergencies, May 2014

- Honors: Dean's List, 2012-2013 (top third of class)
- Awards: CALI Award in Comparative Constitutional Law (best term paper)

Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, in Government (International Relations) & Classical Latin, May 2011

- Honors: Phi Beta Kappa (national honor society)
Pi Sigma Alpha (national political science honor society)
- Awards: Joseph S. Leggold Phi Beta Kappa Award (grant to fund honors thesis research abroad)

Job-Related Training (Continuing Education)

American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC

Online Certificate in International Communications Regulation and Policy, Dec. 2015

Language Skills

Bilingual (fluent in English and Croatian).

Intermediate Spanish.

Beginner French.

Licenses & Affiliations

Admitted to Maryland State Bar.

Member of Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA).