

# fcba NEWS

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## 36th Annual FCBA Dinner featuring Chairwoman Rosenworcel on December 3

The 36th Annual Dinner featuring Chairwoman Rosenworcel will be held **Tuesday, December 3** at the **Marriott Marquis, 901 Massachusetts Avenue, NW**. The evening will begin with a reception at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. in the Marquis Ballroom and will be followed by remarks from FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel. Tables include a \$150.00 tax deductible donation to the FCBA Foundation.



FCC Chairwoman  
Jessica Rosenworcel

**Note that each table will have 10 seats. Additional seats are not available for purchase.**

### INVITING GOVERNMENT GUESTS

Pursuant to the Office of Government Ethics regulation on widely attended gatherings (5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(2)), the FCBA Annual Dinner appears to qualify as a widely attended gathering. Most employees of

the Federal Communications Commission may be directly invited to attend the dinner as guests of individuals and organizations

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To purchase a table or an individual ticket, [click here](#) or use the form on [page 13](#). **The deadline for ordering tables is November 8!**

## Year 5 of FCBA Diversity Pipeline Program Accepting Student Applications through November 11th

The Diversity Pipeline Program launched its 2024-2025 program in October and to date has over 90 profiles created by interested students in the first two weeks.

The Pipeline Program is a competitive program that prepares first-year law students with diverse backgrounds and perspectives for elite careers in TMT law and policy by (1) facilitating access to paid DC-based summer internships, (2) introducing students to cutting-edge legal and policy concepts in the TMT industry, and (3) providing access to mentoring and networking opportunities throughout the summer. The Pipeline Program Committee encourages practitioners, law school faculty and administrators, and students to share the application packet with 1L law students in their networks to help spread the word about this important program.

The Pipeline Program advances the FCBA's mission to create an evolving pipeline, opening doors for diverse students and nurturing future leaders who will one day shape the Tech Bar and the TMT space.

### STUDENT APPLICATION PERIOD AND DETAILS

The application period is currently open and will close at 11:59 p.m. ET on Monday, November 11th. **To apply, students should visit the application portal at this link or access more information on the Program's website.** For detailed information about application requirements, timeline, and criteria, please refer to the [2024-2025 Student Application Information Packet](#).

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## Upcoming Key Events

### Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Robotics Committee CLE

**Date/Time:** Thursday, November 14, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET

**Topic:** Taking Stock of the 2024 AI Landscape: A Look Back at Federal and State AI Developments

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### Diversity Committee Lunch and Learn

**Date/Time:** Monday, November 18, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. ET

**Topic:** Celebrating Leaders of Color in the Telecom Sector: Perspectives on Today's Top Issues and Telecom Careers

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### Space Committee CLE

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, November 19, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ET

**Topic:** Limits on Regulatory Jurisdiction of Space Operations After Loper Bright

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### Judicial and Wireline Committees CLE

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, December 10, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET

**Topic:** The Future of Universal Service: Next Steps in Consumers' Research v. FCC

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### International Committee CLE

**Date/Time:** Thursday, December 12, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET

**Topic:** Supplementing Terrestrial Coverage from Space: Views from the FCC, International Regulators and the Industry

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### Cybersecurity Committee CLE

**Date/Time:** Monday, December 16, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET

**Topic:** Updates on Cybersecurity Incident Response Rules and Challenges

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## PRESIDENT'S Message

I got 5 pieces of candy! I got a chocolate bar! I got a quarter!

*I got a rock.*

Hope everyone had a fun Halloween.

Unlike poor Charlie Brown, NO ONE got a rock at the FCBA's 35th Annual Charity Auction. Instead, the prizes rocked. The venue rocked. Our co-chairs Courtney Tolerico and Jaime McCoy rocked. Our incredible Executive Director doing double duty Kerry Loughney rocked. Our tireless auction committee and our enthusiastic volunteers rocked. My co-emcee Tom Power demonstrated that he still knows how to rock. And, of course, each and every one of you who opened your heart and your wallet in support of the Washington Jesuit Academy and the FCBA Foundation rock.

In October we launched the 5th year of our Diversity Pipeline Program with a great kick off webinar for students and employers in which I was proud to participate. Another aspect of the Charity Auction that was a highlight for me were the DPP participants, now employed as young lawyers, who made a point to introduce themselves and to thank FCBA for the educational and employment opportunities the DPP fostered for them. Leading the program, Rudy Brioché, Svetlana Gans, Anisa Green, and Diane Holland—along with their dedicated committee members—will ensure this 5th year is the best yet. We are looking for support from employers and sponsors. Please say yes.

Now, somehow, we find ourselves in November. While the attention of Washington and the nation has been focused on the election, FCBA planning has proceeded apace. Of course, our 36th FCBA Annual Dinner featuring Chairwoman Rosenworcel promises to bring the same spirit of humor and bipartisanship it has for decades. Come see and be seen on Tuesday, December 3 at the Marriott Marquis in DC. Book your table(s) and ticket(s) now. And, consider attending The 42nd Annual Institute on Telecommunications Policy & Regulation, held at the Marquis earlier that day, presented by the Practising Law Institute in cooperation with FCBA. The program includes a faculty of top practitioners, in house counsel from telecommunications organizations, and senior officials from the FCC. I am grateful to co-chairs Scott Delacourt, Michele Farquhar, and Bryan Tramont. Look for registration information in this newsletter.

FCBA leadership has been focused on a couple of initiatives coming to your inbox soon. First, in response to demand, we'll be offering a one stop sponsorship shop for a bundle of events through June 2025: the Congressional Reception, the Women's Summit, the Annual Seminar, and the Spring Reception. Our "Platinum Package" sponsors will receive a discount and other perks, and our hope is to make event sponsorship more streamlined for our supporters. Of course,



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The FCBA is grateful to the firms, companies, and associations listed below who have financially sponsored the Diversity Pipeline Program for the 2024-2025 year. If you are interested in sponsoring the Diversity Pipeline Program, please [click here](#).

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(\$500)

**Diane Holland**

## Thursday, November 14, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET Taking Stock of the 2024 AI Landscape: A Look Back at Federal and State AI Developments

The FCBA Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Robotics Committee will sponsor a CLE on Thursday, November 14, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET entitled **Taking Stock of AI Developments in 2024: A Look Back at Federal and State AI Developments**. This program will be held virtually via the Zoom platform.

The trend toward regulation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) is more than mere speculation as government bodies at the state and federal levels have taken significant action to begin implementing guidelines, guardrails, and regulatory frameworks for the use of AI. In the past year, state legislatures have forged ahead with groundbreaking legislation to regulate the rapidly advancing technology. Federal agencies have also worked to implement the Biden Administration's October 2023 Executive Order on the Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence and apply existing rules to the AI industry.

**The FCBA will apply for 2.0 hours of MCLE credit from the VA Bar. This program has not yet been approved.**

## Join the FCBA and FCBA Foundation on Social Media!

The FCBA and the FCBA Foundation 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!

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### Agenda

**1:00 – 1:05 p.m.**  
**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**1:05 – 2:05 p.m.**  
**RECENT FEDERAL EFFORTS FOCUSED ON AI**

*Moderator:*

**Lauren Lerman**, Associate, Wiley Rein LLP

*Panelists:*

**Russel Hanser**, Deputy Chief Legal Officer, NCTA – The Internet & Television Association

**Jennifer Maisel**, Partner, Rothwell Figg, Ernst & Manbeck, P.C.

**Duane Pozza**, Partner, Wiley Rein LLP

**2:05 – 3:00 p.m.**  
**STATE APPROACHES TO AI REGULATION AND GOVERNANCE**

*Moderator:*

**Andrew Longhi**, Associate, Covington & Burling LLP

*Panelists:*

**Philip Laird**, General Counsel, California Privacy Protection Agency  
**Todd Smith**, General Counsel, Office of the Chief Technology Officer, Government of the District of Columbia

*Final Panelist Confirmation Pending*

## Tuesday, November 19, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ET Limits on Regulatory Jurisdiction of Space Operations After *Loper Bright*

The FCBA Space Committee will sponsor a CLE on Tuesday, November 19, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ET entitled **Limits on Regulatory Jurisdiction of Space Operations After *Loper Bright***. The program will be held virtually via the Zoom platform.

This CLE will consider the effects the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo* will have on the existing regulatory regime for commercial space operators, as well as possibilities for future legislation and regulation.

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NOVEMBER 19 CLE

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## Agenda

11:00 – 11:05 a.m.

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Scott Tollefsen, Law Office of Scott Tollefsen

11:05 – 12:05 p.m.

### DOES *LOPER BRIGHT* UPEND EXISTING REGULATIONS?

The first session will focus on the *Loper Bright* decision and panelists will discuss its effect on the commercial space industry. Topics will include the existing regulatory regimes and whether *Loper Bright* calls into question the extent to which each agency can regulate.

Moderator:

**Robert McDowell**, Partner, Cooley LLP

Speakers:

**Laura Cummings**, Associate, Greenberg Traurig

**Jim Dunstan**, Senior Counsel, TechFreedom

**Harold Feld**, Senior Vice President, Public Knowledge

**Philip Hover-Smoot**, CEO and GC, Scout Space Inc.

12:05 – 1:00 p.m.

### WHAT'S HAPPENS NEXT AND ARE THERE ALTERNATIVE MODELS THAT COULD WORK IN THE U.S.?

The panel will discuss possible reactions from U.S. regulators and explore examples of regulatory models that are effectively used to regulate commercial space operations where jurisdiction is not clear.

Moderator:

**Jennifer A. Manner**, Senior Advisor Space and Satellite Policy, NTIA

Speakers:

**Katherine Gizinski**, Chief Executive Officer, River Associates

**John Janka**, Chief Officer, Global Government Affairs & Regulatory, Viasat, Inc.

**Jennifer Warren**, Vice President, Global Regulatory Affairs & Public Policy, Lockheed Martin

## Tuesday, December 10, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET The Future of Universal Service: Next Steps in Consumers' Research v. FCC

The FCBA Wireline and Judicial Practice Committees will jointly sponsor a CLE on Tuesday, December 10, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET entitled *The Future of Universal Service: Next Steps in Consumers' Research v. FCC*. This program will be held virtually via the Zoom platform.

The FCC's Universal Service Fund faces scrutiny as the U.S. Supreme Court considers whether to hear challenges to its constitutionality in a series of cases brought by Consumers' Research. Earlier this year, Fifth Circuit ruled *en banc* that it violates the non-delegation doctrine, while the Sixth, Eleventh, and D.C. Circuit Courts of Appeals have upheld the program's constitutionality.

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## Agenda

1:00 – 1:05 p.m.

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

1:05 – 2:00 p.m.

### CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

The first panel will review the status of the *Consumers' Research* cases and legal challenges to the Universal Service program.

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

### THE STATE OF THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROGRAM

The second panel will discuss recent developments in the FCC's E-Rate program, contribution reform, and the future of universal service.

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## The FCLJ is Looking for Articles

The *Federal Communications Law Journal* (FCLJ), the official academic journal of the FCBA, is hosted by The George Washington University Law School. It has long been an important source of legal scholarship on communications issues, and the FCBA is proud to offer the journal as a benefit to our members.

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, Spencer Banwart ([fcjarticles@law.gwu.edu](mailto:fcjarticles@law.gwu.edu)). Articles may also be submitted through ExpressO or Scholastica. For general inquiries about the FCLJ, please contact the Editor-in-Chief, Addison Spencer ([fcj@law.gwu.edu](mailto:fcj@law.gwu.edu)).

## Thursday, December 12, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET Supplementing Terrestrial Coverage from Space: Views from the FCC, International Regulators and the Industry

The FCBA International Committee will sponsor a CLE on Thursday, December 12, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET entitled Supplementing Terrestrial Coverage from Space: Views from the FCC, International Regulators and the Industry. Where are we now and what to expect in the future? This program will be held virtually via the Zoom platform.

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### Agenda

10:00 – 10:05 a.m.

#### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Daudeline Meme, Vice President & Associate General Counsel, Federal Regulatory & Legal Affairs, Verizon

10:05 – 10:35 a.m.

#### REMARKS FROM THE FCC SCS TEAM

Speakers:

TBA

10:35 – 11:20 a.m.

#### VIEWS FROM INTERNATIONAL REGULATORS ON SUPPLEMENTAL COVERAGE FROM SPACE

The panel will feature international regulators to provide information on their respective country's approach to SCS. Topics will include status of their domestic regulations, potential roadblocks they foresee or are currently experiencing and their expectation from the ITU.

Moderator:

Pascale Dumit, Director, International Spectrum Policy, T-Mobile

Speakers:

TBA

11:20 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.

#### VIEWS FROM THE INDUSTRY ON SUPPLEMENTAL COVERAGE FROM SPACE

The panel will feature industry representatives to provide information on their respective approach to SCS. Topics will include differences between the SCS and MSS regulatory frameworks, status of their deployments, potential roadblocks they foresee or are currently experiencing.

Moderator:

Jodi Goldberg, Special Counsel, Corporate and Securities Practice Group, Sheppard Mullin

Speakers:

TBA

## Monday, December 16, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET Updates on Cybersecurity Incident Response Rules and Challenges

The FCBA Cybersecurity Committee will sponsor a CLE on Monday, December 16,

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET entitled Updates on Cybersecurity Incident Response Rules and Challenges. This program will be held virtually via the Zoom platform.

Topics will include an update on cybersecurity incident response rules recently implemented by Federal and state regulators and others that are still pending. A discussion on the *Solarwinds* litigation and future risks for companies will also be addressed. More to come!

The FCBA will apply for 2.0 hours of MCLE credit from the VA Bar. This program has not yet been approved.

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## Tuesday, January 28, 12:30 – 2:30 pm ET Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in the Telecom Sector: Where Do We Go From Here?

The FCBA Diversity Committee will sponsor a CLE on Tuesday, January 28, 12:30 – 2:30 pm ET entitled Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in the Telecom Sector: Where Do We Go From Here? The program will be held virtually via the Zoom platform.

Join us for engaging discussions about the state of DEI in the telecom sector, the road ahead, and the impact of artificial intelligence.

The FCBA will apply for 2.0 hours of MCLE credit from the VA Bar. This program has not yet been approved.

## JANUARY 28 CLE

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## Agenda

**12:30 – 12:35 a.m.**  
**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**12:35 – 1:35 p.m.**  
**DEI IN THE TELECOM SECTOR – THE ROAD AHEAD**

**1:35 – 2:30 p.m.**  
**ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: ITS ROLE IN DEI...A BOON OR A BUST?**

Speakers TBD

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With the Speakers Bureau, the FCBA maintains a broad list of potential speakers at all stages of their careers and with diverse backgrounds. The FCBA will use the list to offer opportunities for speakers to contribute their knowledge to CLEs, brown bags, and other events.

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## To Update Your Membership Contact Information

To update your contact information, log in to your **member account** and click the About or My Profile sections. **If you are changing your membership type/category** (e.g. Private Sector to Government; Law Student to Private Sector, etc.), you must email Elina Gross ([elina@fcba.org](mailto:elina@fcba.org)) so she can update it.

## DIVERSITY PIPELINE

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### EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

The window for employer participation in the Internship Program is open until Wednesday, November 15. More information is available in the **2024-2025 Employer Information Packet**. Sponsorship opportunities are also open. To become a sponsor of the Program, please complete the **sponsorship form**.

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – STUDENT APPLICATION REVIEW

We need reviewers of student applications once the period closes on November 11, 2024. If you have a couple of hours to spare between November 11 and 18, please contact Anisa Green ([al7161@att.com](mailto:al7161@att.com)) indicating that you are able to volunteer as a reviewer. We will be reaching out to past reviewers for their assistance as well. If you are a past reviewer and can help again, please let us know.

### ACKNOWLEDGING OUR SUPPORTERS

Thank you to our 2024-2025 anchor employers and to our sponsors who have committed to financially contributing to the Program for the coming year.

For any questions, please contact the Pipeline Program Committee at [diversitypipeline@fcba.org](mailto:diversitypipeline@fcba.org) or the Committee leads: Anisa Green ([al7161@att.com](mailto:al7161@att.com)), Rudy Brioché ([rudy\\_brioché@comcast.com](mailto:rudy_brioché@comcast.com)), and Svetlana Gans ([sgans@gibsondunn.com](mailto:sgans@gibsondunn.com)).

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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.

**Requests for invitations to be sent from the FCBA must be emailed to [kerry@fcba.org](mailto:kerry@fcba.org) by Tuesday, November 12. Invitees will be placed at the discretion of the FCBA.**

**Please note that seating is reserved, tickets are not required for entry, and there will be no physical tickets this year. Your table number(s) will be emailed to you and you will be responsible for distributing that information to your guests.**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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we remain grateful to those who choose to help underwrite our events on an *a la carte* basis. Second, we are always looking for ways to improve the organization's overall value, and to that end will be launching a membership survey—our first since 2017 and, importantly, our first post-pandemic. When the survey is sent to you in the coming weeks, I ask that you please take a few minutes to provide your feedback.

Over the summer, we appointed co-chairs of our substantive and chapter committees for the coming year and you know what? They, too, rock. I promised you these folks would pull together compelling programming. Thanks to them, I don't have to eat my words. Take a look at the FCBA calendar—some of our most recent learning opportunities have focused on wellness, the NG911 transition, and how states can streamline pole attachments. Upcoming, we'll look at the 2024 AI landscape, limits on regulatory jurisdiction of space operations post-*Loper Bright*, and DEI in the telecom sector. Each month, our Executive Committee hears from certain of the committee co-chairs about their plans and I promise you there is much more timely and engaging programming to come, where you can hear from regulators and practitioners, and learn from the best minds in the business.

Relatedly, if you'd like to share your insights and knowledge, visit our website at [fcba.org](http://fcba.org) and sign up for our Speakers Bureau. Conversely, if you are helping to pull together a CLE, lunch and learn, or other FCBA event, check out the broad list of potential speakers at all stages or their careers and with diverse backgrounds.

A person I was chatting with this week at a non-FCBA event remarked that he had FOMO looking at the variety of social media posts about FCBA events and intended to join us. If you are planning, learning, or having fun at an FCBA event, please share. We are always looking to build our membership.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I am reflecting upon how fortunate I am to be part of this unique and wonderful community. Thank you, FCBA.

**Kathy Kirby**  
FCBA President 2024-2025

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## 42nd Annual Institute on Telecommunications Policy & Regulation on December 3

Presented by Practising Law Institute in cooperation with the Federal Communications Bar Association, join a faculty of top practitioners, in-house counsel from telecommunications organizations, and senior officials from the FCC at the **42nd Annual Institute on Telecommunications Policy & Regulation on December 3** at the Marriott Marquis, 901 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC. This premier conference will provide attendees with in-depth review and greater understanding of current issues facing the telecommunications industry today, while identifying the trends to watch for in 2025. Watch for schedule and faculty updates at [www.pli.edu/telecom](http://www.pli.edu/telecom).

### WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

After completing this program, participants will be able to:

- Understand the impact of Supreme Court cases on administrative law
- Describe National Spectrum Strategy processes
- Outline recent developments in privacy and children's online safety
- Describe issues pertaining to the future of broadband government funding, USF reform, and the status of BEAD
- Learn from cybersecurity and national security updates
- Identify FCC legislative and regulatory updates

### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- Featured remarks from FCC Commissioners
- Lunch will be provided

[Click here to register.](#)



# COMMITTEE AND CHAPTER *Events*

## Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Robotics Committee

**Event:** CLE Seminar  
**Date/Time:** Thursday, November 14, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Taking Stock of the 2024 AI Landscape: A Look Back at Federal and State AI Developments  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
**For more information:** See [page 4](#)  
[Click here to register.](#)

## Atlanta Chapter

**Event:** Breakfast and Panel  
**Date/Time:** Thursday, January 16, 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. ET  
**Location:** Gray Media, 4370 Peachtree Rd NE (Brookhaven)  
**Topic:** Loper Bright and Jarkesy  
**Speakers:** TBA  
[Click here to register.](#)

## Cybersecurity Committee

**Event:** CLE Seminar  
**Date/Time:** Monday, December 16, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Updates on Cybersecurity Incident Response Rules and Challenges  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
**For more information:** See [page 6](#)  
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## Diversity Committee

**Event:** Lunch and Learn  
**Date/Time:** Monday, November 18, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Celebrating Leaders of Color in the Telecom Sector: Perspectives on Today's Top Issues and Telecom Careers. This lunch and learn will feature engaging discussions with senior telecom sector leaders of color about their perspectives on top telecom issues, careers, and advice for the next generation of telecom leaders.

**Speakers:** Fireside Chat with the Honorable Anna Gomez, FCC Commissioner  
Moderated by D'wana R. Terry, Special Advisor to the Chairwoman of the FCC

**Panel Discussion:** Moderated by Jonathan Mark, Associate Corporate Counsel, Google  
**Panelists:** Rudy Brioché, Vice President, Comcast Corporation; Diane Griffin Holland, Partner, Wiley Rein; Priscilla Delgado Argeris, Chief Counsel to the Chairwoman of the FCC; and Umair Javed, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, CTIA  
[Click here to register.](#)

**Event:** CLE Seminar  
**Date/Time:** Tuesday, January 28, 12:30 – 2:30 pm ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in the Telecom Sector: Where Do We Go From Here?  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
**For more information:** See [page 4](#)  
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## International Committee

**Event:** CLE Seminar  
**Date/Time:** Thursday, December 12, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Supplementing Terrestrial Coverage from Space: Views from the FCC, International Regulators and the Industry  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
**For more information:** See [page 6](#)  
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## Judicial Committee

**Event:** CLE Seminar co-hosted by the Wireline Committee  
**Date/Time:** Tuesday, December 10, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** The Future of Universal Service: Next Steps in Consumers' Research v. FCC  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
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## Midwest Chapter

**Event:** Lunch and Learn  
**Date/Time:** Monday, January 27, 2025, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Central Time (1:00 – 2:00 Eastern)  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Planning for Network Maintenance & Repair. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is helping to pay for a \$65 billion investment in broadband networks. Once the networks are built, how do you fund and plan for their continued operation? This lunch and learn will feature engaging discussions with telecom leaders about how to plan for and finance repair and maintenance of fiber networks.  
**Speakers:** Kyle Hildebrand, Chief Revenue Officer, Vivacity Infrastructure Group, LLC, and others to be announced.  
[Click here to register.](#)

## Space Committee

**Event:** CLE Seminar  
**Date/Time:** Tuesday, November 19, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** Limits on Regulatory Jurisdiction of Space Operations After Loper Bright  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
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## Wireline Committee

**Event:** CLE Seminar co-hosted by the Judicial Committee  
**Date/Time:** Tuesday, December 10, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
**Location:** Virtual via the Zoom platform  
**Topic:** The Future of Universal Service: Next Steps in Consumers' Research v. FCC  
**Cost:** \$135.00 for Private Sector Members; \$95.00 for Non-Profit 501c3 Members; \$50.00 for Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired Members; No charge for Law Student Members; \$205.00 for Non-Members  
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## New England Chapter's Current Issues Conference held October 3

On October 1st, 50-plus practitioners from New England and beyond gathered at Boston College Law School for the New England Chapter's "Current Issues Conference: Federal Law Changes as They Affect the New England States." Chapter Co-Chair Rob Munnelly began with introductions and a special note of thanks to Professor T. Barton Carter, recently retired from the Boston University College of Communication, for his longstanding support of the Chapter and hosting the Chapter Fall Program for at least fifteen years. Welcoming remarks then were offered by BC Law Professor and Associate Dean Daniel Lyons, Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Cable Commissioner Karen Charles, and FCBA President Kathy Kirby, attending her first regional chapter meeting. Former FCBA President Barry Ohlsson was also in attendance.

The *Chevron* and *Loper Bright* Panel featured Professor Daniel Lyons; BC Law Adjunct Professor Thomas Barnico, a thirty-year veteran of the Massachusetts Attorney General's office with extensive appellate experience at the U.S. Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal and Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court; and moderator Keefe Clemons of Verrill Dana. The panel downplayed some current doomsday scenarios, predicting



that in deciding cases, courts would continue to give substantial weight to administrative agencies' expertise. It then surveyed analogous state law, noting that states widely differed on the degree of deference accorded administrative agencies, and that *Loper Bright* was not decided on federal constitutional grounds, so states were not obligated to follow its rulings. It also advised that since many administrative cases are mixtures of legal issues and fact and policy issues, in the future practitioners should consider focusing on fact and policy issues, rather than purely legal issues, to minimize the effect of the loss of *Chevron* deference.

The Broadband Affordability Panel was moderated by Cmr. Karen Charles, and

featured Kiera Reardon (Senior Manager, Policy and Agency Partnerships, Maine Connectivity Authority), Brian Donaghue (Digital Equity Officer, City of Boston), David Don (Senior Vice President, Public Policy, Comcast), and Jamellah Ellis (Associate General Counsel, Network Regulatory Strategy, Verizon). The panel opined that the sudden discontinuance of the Affordable Connectivity Program for customers who had come to rely on subsidized broadband service created a lot of distrust among the very clientele the program was designed to aid. Rebuilding such trust is key. Measures such as enhanced communication by providers, providers' maintaining consistent service and prices over time, and the use of "digital

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navigators” are being employed and are helping. Comcast and Verizon both have programs in place specifically designed to assist lower-income customers. Similarly, a group of smaller ISPs in Maine intends voluntarily to offer affordable services to disadvantaged customers.

A social reception followed the program.

The New England Chapter thanks our reception sponsors, Day Pitney, Verrill Dana, and the New England Connectivity and Telecommunications Association; our hosts, Boston College Law School and Professor Daniel Lyons; and especially our chapter members who designed and organized the program, the co-chairs and Steering Committee members William Bendetson, Michael Baldino, Sean Carroll, and Geoff Why.



## The Federal Communications Law Journal

The *Federal Communications Law Journal (FCLJ)* has long been an important source of legal scholarship on communications issues, and the FCBA is proud to offer the journal as a benefit to our members.

FCBA members may now decide how they would like to receive the journal. The *FCLJ* itself will continue to be published in hard copy, however, rather than receiving hard copies as a default, we'll be distributing electronic links to the content.

For those of you who would like to receive the *FCLJ* electronically, you don't have to do anything. We'll email you when a new issue is published. You may also visit <http://www.fclj.org/volumes/> to view archived volumes.

**For those of you who would like to receive the *FCLJ* in hard copy format, you should sign up for this option by following the instructions below.** The hard copy journal is free, but it must be ordered through our website.

- Log in to your account by [clicking here](#).
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## TO LIST A JOB

To purchase a Job Bank ad with the FCBA, process and make payment by [clicking here](#). There are three types of ads: a regular listing, a government listing, or a bling box listing where the resumes come to the FCBA for forwarding. After purchasing, email the text of the ad to Kerry Loughney ([kerry@fcba.org](mailto:kerry@fcba.org)). Listings and payment received by the 25th day of each month will appear in the next month's newsletter. Ads should not exceed 500 words. No headhunters please.

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**Attorney Honors Program** – The Federal Communications Commission is seeking entry-level attorneys for its fall 2025 Attorney Honors Program, a two-year recruitment and training program designed to introduce new and recent law school graduates with superior academic credentials to the field of communications and the work of the Commission. Graduating law students, recent law students who graduated in the spring or summer of 2024, and current judicial clerks with strong qualifications are encouraged to apply. Program participants will be located in Washington, D.C. Their portfolios will depend on the particular Bureau or Office in which they are placed, and they may have the opportunity to rotate to a new assignment within the agency at the end of their first year. Participants will also be afforded special professional and educational opportunities. Compensation will be determined based on experience.

This year, applications should be submitted online through USAJOBS to Vacancy Announcement: <https://www.usajobs.gov/job/813974300>. Additional information about applying for the Attorney Honors Program is available at <https://www.fcc.gov/general-counsel/general/attorney-honors-program>.

Applications must be received on or before November 21, 2024. Candidates may direct questions regarding the Attorney Honors Program to [Honors.Program@fcc.gov](mailto:Honors.Program@fcc.gov).



## 2025 FCBA Annual Seminar to be held at The Hotel Hershey May 16-18 ~ SAVE THE DATES!

Mark your calendars now and make plans to join your colleagues at the **FCBA Annual Seminar** on **May 16-18, 2025** at the Hotel Hershey in Hershey, PA. Watch for program details in the coming months.

Known for its refined elegance, signature service, and abundant amenities, The Hotel Hershey, one of the finest Historic Hotels of America, is a must-visit destination in Chocolate Town® U.S.A.

The Hotel Hershey offers a variety of **activities** for the whole family. Make a splash in the indoor pool, set up a friendly game of basketball, volleyball, or tennis at the sports complex, and experience the great outdoors with miles of hiking trails and the falconry program. Deepen the experience with a soothing massage at **The Spa at Hershey**. To learn more about The Hotel Hershey and its many amenities and activities, go to: <https://www.thehotelhershey.com/>.

## RANDOMCOFFEE



- RandomCoffee has made over 1100 FCBA connections since first launched in February 2023!
- The last RandomCoffee round of 2024 will be activated on Tuesday, November 12. Don't miss this chance to participate and join over 560 FCBA members who already have enjoyed a RandomCoffee.
- A sign-up email will be sent from RandomCoffee around 2:30 pm EST. Matches will be announced on Friday,

November 15 at 5:30 pm EST. Please sign up at any time during that window.

- If you don't see the email in your inbox, it may be caught in your spam filter. Please check for an email from "RandomCoffee @ FCBA" or [fcba@my.random-coffee.com](mailto:fcba@my.random-coffee.com) and allowlist the email going forward so you won't miss future RandomCoffee invitations!

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# 36TH FCBA ANNUAL DINNER *Registration*

**Tuesday, December 3, 2024**

**THE MARRIOTT MARQUIS  
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**RECEPTION - 5:30 P.M. - MEZZANINE  
DINNER - 7:00 P.M. - MARQUIS BALLROOM**

**TABLE: \***

\_\_\_ table(s) at \$4,795.00 per table

**Note that each table will have 10 seats. Additional seats are not available for purchase.**

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**INDIVIDUAL TICKETS:**

\_\_\_ FCBA Private Sector/Non-Profit Member ticket(s) at \$375.00 each

\_\_\_ FCBA Government/Academic/Transitional/Retired/Law Student Member ticket(s) at \$150.00 each

\_\_\_ Non-Member ticket(s) at \$575.00 each

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**PLEASE NOTE THAT SEATING IS RESERVED, TICKETS ARE NOT  
REQUIRED FOR ENTRY, AND THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL  
TICKETS THIS YEAR. YOUR TABLE NUMBER(S) WILL BE EMAILED  
TO YOU AND YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DISTRIBUTING  
THAT INFORMATION TO YOUR GUESTS.**

*Due to the nature of the event, there will be no refunds for tables purchased. Individuals may cancel and request a refund no later than Monday, November 25. No refunds will be granted after this date.*

**BUSINESS ATTIRE**

Pursuant to the Office of Government Ethics regulation on widely attended gatherings (5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(2)), the FCBA Annual Dinner appears to qualify as a widely attended gathering. 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. Requests for invitations to be sent from the FCBA must be emailed to [kerry@fcba.org](mailto:kerry@fcba.org) by Tuesday, November 12. Invitees will be placed at the discretion of the FCBA.

# FCBA Extends a Warm Welcome to Its Newest Members!

(\*as of 10/30/24)

**Amy Averill**, Comcast Cable Communications

**Nicholas Baughman**

**Mike Beirne**, CTIA

**Michael Bradley**, Bradley Werner, LLC

**Madeline Carr**, Steptoe LLP

**Jericho Casper**, Broadband Breakfast

**Alexandra Chandler**

**Olivia Cheren**

**I-Ching Chiu**

**Madeleine Chou**

**Katherine Colaianni**

**Claire Copher**, Best Best

& Krieger LLP

**Monique Cormier**, GSMA

**Michelle De Celles Slusher**, NTIA

**Evan Feinman**, NTIA BEAD

**Steven Fredley**, HWG LLP

**Dan Henry**, National

Telecommunications and Information Administration

**Kyra John**, CTIA

**Daeyeong Kim**, HWG LLP

**Hannah Lesti**

**Catherine McCullough**,

Meadowbrook SGR

**Mia Milton**

**Karin O'Leary**, U.S. Department of

Commerce, NTIA

**Isabelle Perez**

**Joshua Perez**, Perkins Coie LLP

**Joseph Post**, Verizon

**Phil Rotheram**, Atos Public Safety

**Jeffrey Strenkowski**, Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP

**Jessica Sullivan**

**Ania Trichet**, Wiley Rein LLP

**Nancy Werner**, Bradley Werner, LLC

**Ece Yegane**, The Brattle Group

**And huge thanks to those who**

**recruited them: Coleman Bazelon,**

**Patrick Halley, Campbell Massie,**

**Colleen McCroskey, Morgan Reeds,**

**Courtney Tolerico**

## Calendar

<b>November 14</b>	CLE Seminar: Taking Stock of the 2024 AI Landscape: A Look Back at Federal and State AI Developments
<b>November 18</b>	Diversity Committee Lunch and Learn
<b>November 19</b>	CLE Seminar: Limits on Regulatory Jurisdiction of Space Operations After <i>Loper Bright</i>
<b>December 3</b>	FCBA Annual Dinner featuring FCC Chairwoman Rosenworcel at the Marriott Marquis
<b>December 10</b>	CLE Seminar: The Future of Universal Service: Next Steps in <i>Consumers' Research v. FCC</i>
<b>December 12</b>	CLE Seminar: Supplementing Terrestrial Coverage from Space: Views from the FCC, International Regulators and the Industry
<b>December 16</b>	CLE Seminar: Updates on Cybersecurity Incident Response Rules and Challenges
<b>January 16, 2025</b>	Atlanta Chapter Breakfast and Panel
<b>January 27</b>	Midwest Chapter Lunch and Learn
<b>January 28</b>	CLE Seminar: Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in the Telecom Sector: Where Do We Go From Here?
<b>May 16-18</b>	FCBA Annual Seminar at the Hotel Hershey



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