

Patrick R. Halley

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

President & CEO, Wireless Infrastructure Association, Arlington, VA, August 2022 – Present

- Lead national industry trade association representing interests of 150 companies that develop, build, own and operate the nation's wireless infrastructure
- Oversee team of over 30 employees and extensive group of state and federal lobbyists and consultants with annual operating budget of over \$17 million
- Develop and implement policy and advocacy strategy before Congress, the White House, federal agencies, state legislatures and agencies, and the courts
- Manage nationally recognized telecommunications workforce development program including the Telecommunications Industry Registered Apprenticeship Program (TIRAP), Telecommunications Education Center (TEC), and state workforce consulting services
- Direct implementation of Connect (X), the premier trade show focused on wireless communications and infrastructure with over 3,500 attendees and revenues of over \$4 million
- Regularly engage with tech and telecom media and frequent keynote speaker at industry events

Adjunct Professor, Catholic University Columbus School of Law, Washington, DC, August 2022 – Present

Senior Vice President of Policy & Advocacy and General Counsel, USTelecom – The Broadband Association, Washington, DC, January 2019 – July 2022

- Led policy development and advocacy efforts before the White House and Executive Branch, regulatory agencies, courts, and other government entities
- Responsible for strategy and policy development on topics advancing broadband infrastructure and consumer protection, including rural broadband deployment, technology transition issues, net neutrality, data privacy, robocall mitigation, and numerous other issues
- Testified before Congress and state legislatures on multiple issues

Partner, Wilkinson Barker Knauer LLP, Washington, DC, February 2017 – December 2018; Of Counsel, January 2015 – January 2017

- Represented a broad variety of communications companies and trade associations, helping them navigate complex strategic, policy, and legal issues before the FCC and other executive branch agencies on issues including broadband deployment, universal service, net neutrality, 911 and public safety communications, spectrum, competition policy, and consumer protection issues
- Named as a member of the 2017 "Next Generation Lawyers" list by the Legal 500 in 2017

Executive Director, Next Gen 911 Institute, Washington, DC, July 2015 – December 2018

- Nationally recognized leader on the topic of 911 and emergency communications, directing educational efforts of non-profit organization in support of the congressional Next Generation 911 Caucus

Associate Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Washington, DC, January 2014 – December 2014

- Developed overall strategy and managed external stakeholder relations for the Bureau and Chairman's Office for major policy issues including E-Rate modernization, IP Transition, inmate calling services, and issues affecting Tribal nations
- Organized, participated in, and led senior-level meetings with external stakeholders, including other federal agencies, congressional staff, state/local/Tribal governments and the media
- Represented Wireline Bureau on FCC Native Nations Broadband Task Force

Director (Acting), Office of Legislative Affairs, FCC, Washington, DC, November 2013 – January 2014; Deputy Director, September 2012 – November 2013

- Served as Commission's direct liaison to Congress by providing lawmakers with information on all FCC regulatory actions and promoting the Commission's policy objectives
- Provided legal, strategic, and substantive policy advice to the Chairman and senior Commission staff on Congressional matters and policy issues
- Prepared Chairman and other witnesses for Congressional hearings and other public events

Deputy Director (Acting), Technology Transitions Policy Task Force, FCC, Washington, DC, April 2013 – January 2014

- Provided strategic advice and administrative support to Task Force Director and Office of the Chairman on critical policy issues related to technological transitions in evolving communications marketplace
- Organized all internal Task Force activities and ensured close coordination among multiple FCC Bureaus
- Managed external relations with industry, Congress, federal, state and local policy makers, and media
- Drafted and reviewed substantive policy documents, speeches and other Task Force outputs

Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC, Washington, DC, June 2010 – September 2012

- Provided legal, strategic, and substantive policy advice to Bureau Chief and other senior Commission staff
- Drafted congressional testimony, speeches and presentations for Bureau Chief and other senior Commission staff
- Managed and coordinated internal Wireline Bureau activities and communications with Chairman's Office, Commissioner Offices, and other Bureaus/Offices
- Drafted and reviewed FCC and Wireline Bureau items, with an emphasis on the universal service program
- Represented Commission on White House Rural Council
- Represented Wireline Bureau on FCC Native Nations Broadband Task Force and Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC)

Director of Government Affairs, National Emergency Number Association, Arlington, VA June 2005 – June 2010

- Main architect of policy and strategy for 7,000-member national 911 public safety association representing 911, public safety, government and industry professionals before federal agencies and Congress
- Developed and coordinated national 911 congressional agenda; successful in securing federal 911 grant funding, passage of the NET 911 Improvement Act of 2008, inclusion of significant 911 loan program in 2008 Farm Bill, and introduction of the Next Generation 911 Preservation Act of 2010 that was signed into law as the Next Generation 911 Advancement Act of 2012
- Appointed member of multiple working groups on the FCC's Communications Security, Reliability, and Interoperability Council
- National 911 representative on the DHS SAFECOM Emergency Response Council
- Led emergency services planning meetings with multiple foreign governments

Program Director, COMCARE – The Emergency Response Alliance, Washington, DC, August 2004 – June 2005, February 2000 – August 2002

- Developed and maintained strategic relationships with multiple public safety organizations, Congress, Federal, State and local agencies and emergency communications industry
- Managed membership recruitment efforts resulting in 50 percent growth to over 100 members

Recording Artist, Lava/Atlantic Records, New York, NY, September 2002 – August 2004

- Played live and in-studio guitar for national recording artist "Tony C and the Truth"

Board Activities

WIA Foundation, Board Member

Miriam's Kitchen, Board Member and Governance Committee Chair

Federal Communications Bar Association, Executive Committee (2022-2024)

Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation Trustee, Treasurer (2018-2021)

Next Generation 911 Institute, Board Member (2020-2022)

EDUCATION

The Catholic University of America, *Columbus School of Law*, Washington, DC, Juris Doctorate

- Graduated with honors, Magna Cum Laude
- Communications Law Institute Certificate Awardee
- Overall winner and award for best brief in National Telecommunications Moot Court Competition
- Moot Court Vice Chancellor for Communications

The George Washington University, *Elliott School of International Affairs*, Washington, DC, Bachelor of Arts, International Affairs

- Concentration of study in International Economics and Political Science
- Graduated with honors, Magna Cum Laude

Member of Virginia and District of Columbia Bars