



**Rick Boucher**  
IIA Honorary Chairman

Former Congressman and IIA Honorary Chairman Rick Boucher (D-Virginia) served for 28 years in the United States House of Representatives representing Virginia's Ninth Congressional District. Prior to his service in Congress, he was a member of the Virginia State Senate for seven years.

During his Congressional tenure he served on the House Energy and Commerce and Judiciary Committees and chaired the subcommittees on Communications, Technology and the Internet; and Energy and Air Quality. He carved out a role as a trusted bipartisan leader on telecommunications, energy and environmental issues.

He was a leading participant in every major telecommunications policy debate over the past 25 years. A subcommittee that he chaired oversaw the commercialization of the Internet and its transition from a government-owned R&D project, and he authored the 1992 law that permitted the first commercial use of the Internet. He was one of two co-founders of the Congressional Internet Caucus, and served as co-chairman of the 170-member group for 15 years. His proposals to promote competition among telecommunications service providers across industry lines were at the core of the Communications Act of 1996. He authored the first Satellite Home Viewer Act and was the author of its most recent renewal, known as STELA, which contains his provision that is bringing satellite-delivered local television signals to all 210 local television markets nationwide.

Congressman Boucher drafted bipartisan comprehensive universal service fund reform legislation and a bipartisan bill to provide baseline privacy rights for Internet users.

Mr. Boucher is a partner in the Washington, DC office of Sidley Austin and head of the firm's government strategies practice group. Congressman Boucher is a graduate of Roanoke College and the University of Virginia School of Law. Prior to his election to Congress, he practiced law in New York and in Virginia. He is married to the former Amy Hauslohner, and they reside in Abingdon, Virginia.



**Jessica Rosenworcel**  
FCC Commissioner

Jessica Rosenworcel returned as a Commissioner to the Federal Communications Commission on August 11, 2017 after being nominated by the President and unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate.

Previously, Commissioner Rosenworcel served as an FCC Commissioner from May 11, 2012 to January 3, 2017 following her nomination by President Obama and unanimous Senate confirmation.

Commissioner Rosenworcel brings a decade and a half of public sector and private sector communications law experience to her position at the FCC. This experience has shaped her belief that in the 21st century strong communications markets can foster economic growth and security, enhance digital age opportunity, and enrich our civic life.

Prior to joining the agency, Commissioner Rosenworcel served as Senior Communications Counsel for the United States Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, under the leadership of Senator John D. Rockefeller IV. She previously served in the same role on the Committee under the leadership of Senator Daniel K. Inouye. In this position, she was responsible for legislation, hearings, and policy development involving a wide range of communications issues, including spectrum auctions, public safety, broadband deployment and adoption, universal service, video programming, satellite television, local radio, and digital television transition.

Before joining the staff of the Committee, she served as Legal Advisor to former FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps. She also served at the agency as Legal Counsel to the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau and as an Attorney-Advisor in the Wireline Competition Bureau.

Prior to entering public service, Commissioner Rosenworcel practiced communications law at Drinker Biddle and Reath.

Commissioner Rosenworcel is a native of Hartford, Connecticut. She is a graduate of Wesleyan University and New York University School of Law. She lives in Washington, DC with her husband Mark, and children Caroline and Emmett.



## Claude Aiken

**President & CEO, Wireless Internet Service Providers Association (WISPA)**

Claude Aiken is the President & CEO of WISPA, the association representing thousands of fixed wireless providers dedicated to closing the digital divide.

He was named a Rising Star in the wireless industry by FierceWireless in 2018.

A leader on broadband policy, Claude joined WISPA after nearly a decade at the Federal Communications Commission. While there, he served as a trusted advisor to Chairman Wheeler and Commissioner Clyburn. He held senior leadership positions in the Wireline Bureau and Office of General Counsel, as well key staff attorney roles throughout the Commission.

Prior to joining the FCC, he was a John Marshall Harlan Scholar at New York Law School, where he graduated with a specialization in information and technology law. Claude also holds a degree in English from Grove City College.



## Fred Campbell

**Event Moderator, Director, Tech Knowledge**

Fred Campbell is Director of Tech Knowledge, a Senior Policy Advisor with Wireless 20/20, and an adjunct professor in the Space, Cyber, and Telecommunications Law LL.M program at the University of Nebraska College of Law. Mr. Campbell was formerly Executive Director of the Center for Boundless Innovation in Technology, a Fellow and Director of the Communications Liberty and Innovation Project at the Competitive Enterprise Institute, President and CEO of the Wireless Communications Association International, Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), and Wireless Legal Advisor to FCC Chairman Kevin Martin. He has also served as a judicial clerk for Nebraska Supreme Court Justice William M. Connolly and an Arabic linguist in the 101st Airborne Division of the United States Army.



## Debbie Goldman

**Telecommunications Policy Director, Communications Workers of America (CWA)**

Debbie Goldman is Research Director and Telecommunications Policy Director at the Communications Workers of America where she is responsible for the union's research program in support of collective bargaining, organizing, and public policy. She also coordinates the union's Speed Matters campaign promoting affordable high-speed Internet for America.

The Communications Workers of America represents 700,000 working men and women in telecommunications, customer service, media, airlines, public service, and manufacturing.

Ms. Goldman has advocated before the Federal Communications Commission, the U.S. Department of Justice, state regulatory commissions, and the U.S. Congress on a broad range of communications policy issues, including broadband policy, media ownership, universal service, and mergers and acquisitions.

Ms. Goldman is currently working towards a PhD in History (University of Maryland). She also holds MA Degrees in Public Policy (University of Maryland) and Education (Stanford University). She earned her B.A. Magna Cum Laude from Radcliffe College (Harvard University) in 1973, majoring in History.



## Zach Leverenz

**Founder & CEO, EveryoneOn**

Zach Leverenz works at the intersection of education, technology, and social justice. He is the founder of EveryoneOn, a national digital inclusion organization that to date has connected over 650,000 low-income Americans to affordable high-speed broadband, devices, and free digital literacy training. Previously, Mr. Leverenz served as the CEO of Middle East Entrepreneurs of Tomorrow (MEET), a MIT-based technology education and social justice organization. He began his career at PeacePlayers International, where he led programs and new expansions in Northern Ireland, South Africa, Cyprus, and New Orleans. He is a graduate of Dickinson College and Harvard University, where he was a Reynolds Fellow in Social Entrepreneurship at the Harvard Center for Public Leadership.



## Katherine Messier

**Director of Development, North American Catholic Educational Programming Foundation**

Ms. Messier is the Director of Development for [NACEPF](#) Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and the second largest national educational broadband service licensee in the country. NACEPF's broadband service, religious and educational programming, and advocacy efforts support education at every level. Additionally, Ms. Messier is the founder and Executive Director of [Mobile Beacon](#), a subsidiary of NACEPF that provides high-speed, low-cost, educational broadband service (EBS) to the anchors of communities: the nonprofits, schools, libraries, and healthcare organizations that provide vital services to millions of Americans every day. Today, more than 840 schools, 920 libraries, and 4,660 nonprofits rely on Mobile Beacon's internet service.

Over the past eight years, Ms. Messier has spearheaded the development of several national initiatives that address the connectivity needs of community anchor institutions (CAIs) and focus on closing the digital divide and homework gaps that persist across the country. She has grown what started as a small "borrow the internet" pilot program in Providence, RI into a well-established national hotspot-lending program that supports over 900 libraries. Ms. Messier launched the first mobile broadband device donation programs through TechSoup and Digital Wish. Through these programs, Mobile Beacon donates thousands of mobile hotspots to CAIs each year to further reduce the cost of connectivity and enable CAIs to create hotspot-lending programs in their communities. Most recently, Ms. Messier launched a new national initiative, Bridging the Gap, with nonprofit partner PCs for People, to provide affordable home broadband to individuals and families at the 200% poverty level. This program now serves low-income families in all 50 states.



## Peter Pitsch

**Intel Consultant, Former Associate General Counsel, Intel**

Peter Pitsch currently consults for Intel Corporation. Until May 2018, he was Associate General Counsel at Intel Corporation, specializing in communications policy matters.

Pitsch was the Chief of Staff to the Chairman of the FCC from 1987 to 1989 and Chief of Office of Plans and Policy from 1981 to 1987. From 1980 to 1981, Pitsch was a staff member of the Reagan Administration Transition Team.

Mr. Pitsch received a B.A. in Economics from the University of Chicago in 1973 and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1976.