Agenda

Monday, October 19

8:40 am EDT – 8:45 am EDT  Welcome Remarks
Scott Wallsten, President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

8:45 am EDT – 9:45 am EDT  How Innovation Works: Kickoff Book Talk
Lord Matt Ridley, Best-Selling Author, Journalist, Businessman
Robert Hahn (moderator), Distinguished Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

Privacy

9:45 am EDT – 11:00 am EDT  How is the world regulating privacy, and what does that mean for the US?
Bruno Gencarelli, Head of Unit, International Data Flows and Protection, European Commission
Andrea Jelinek, Chair, European Data Protection Board; Director, Austrian Data Protection Authority
Kenneth Propp, Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council
Alan Raul (moderator), Partner, Sidley Austin LLP

11:00 am EDT – 12:00 Noon EDT  Lunch Break – meet in Gather.town

12:00 Noon EDT – 1:15 pm EDT  How has the pandemic changed our views on privacy, and what does that mean for existing and future regulation and legislation?
Jane Bambauer, Professor of Law, James E. Rogers College of Law, The University of Arizona
Christina Montgomery, Vice President & Chief Privacy Officer, IBM
Maureen Ohlhausen, Section Chair, Antitrust & Competition Law Firm Partner, Baker Botts LLP
Andrew Smith, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission
Catherine Tucker, Sloan Distinguished Professor of Management Science and Professor Marketing and Chair of the MIT Sloan PhD Program at MIT Sloan School of Management
Thomas Lenard (moderator), Senior Fellow and President Emeritus, Technology Policy Institute

5:00 pm EDT – 7:00 pm EDT  Trivia and Happy Hour Hosted on Zoom (tune in via Gather.town)
Tuesday, October 20  Antitrust & Competition

10:55 am EDT – 11:00 am EDT  Welcome Remarks  
Scott Wallsten, President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

11:00 am EDT – 12:15 pm EDT  Antitrust and the FTC in the Next Administration  
Edith Ramirez, Co-Head of Antitrust and Competition and Partner in Privacy and Cybersecurity, Hogan Lovells, and former Chairwoman, Federal Trade Commission  
Rebecca Slaughter, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission  
Christine Wilson, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission  
Joshua Wright, Professor and Executive Director of the Global Antitrust Institute, George Mason University  
Leah Nylen (moderator), Reporter, Politico

12:15 pm EDT – 12:45 pm EDT  Lunch Break

12:45 pm EDT – 2:00 pm EDT  Competition in the Attention Economy  
Ian Conner, Director of the Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission  
James Muldrow, Senior Director, Product Management, Comscore, Inc.  
Jeffrey Prince, Professor and Chair of Business Economics and Public Policy, Kelley School of Business, Indiana University  
Hal Varian, Chief Economist, Google  
Kareen Rozen, Associate Professor of Economics, Brown University  
Scott Wallsten (moderator), President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute
Wed, October 21  The China Challenge

12:25 pm EDT  Welcome Remarks
Scott Wallsten, President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

12:30 pm EDT – 1:45 pm EDT  A Digital Cold War? China and the US Post-COVID
Fiona Alexander, Distinguished Fellow in Residence, Internet Governance Lab, American University and Founder, Salt Point Strategies
Aynne Kokas, Associate Professor of Media Studies, University of Virginia
Samm Sacks, Cybersecurity Policy and China Digital Economy Fellow, New America
Miriam Sapiro, Co-Head & Vice Chair, SVC Public Affairs, Sard Verbinnen & Co.
David Gross (moderator), Partner and Co-Chair, Telecom, Media and Technology Practice, Wiley Rein LLP

1:45 pm EDT – 2:45 pm EDT  Book Talk: China: The Bubble That Never Pops
Tom Orlik, Chief Economist, Bloomberg Economics
Scott Wallsten (moderator), President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute
Thurs, October 22  Broadband

10:55 am EDT – 11:00 am EDT  Welcome Remarks
Scott Wallsten, President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

11:00 am EDT – 12:15 pm EDT  The Digital Divide: Pandemic Lessons and Solutions from Around the World
Kelly Gillis, Deputy Minister, Infrastructure and Communities, Infrastructure Canada
Ceri Howes, Head of Regulatory, Opensignal
Larry Irving, Principal, The Irving Group
Judith Mariscal, Executive Director, Centro Latam Digital and Professor, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas
Greg Rosston, Director, Public Policy Program, Stanford University and Gordon Cain Senior Fellow, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research
Scott Wallsten (moderator), President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

12:15 pm EDT – 1:00 pm EDT  Fireside Chat and Q&A
Ajit Pai, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission

1:00 pm EDT – 2:00 pm EDT  Lunch Break

2:00 pm EDT – 3:15 pm EDT  Broadband and the FCC: Successes and Challenges
Brendan Carr, Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
Mignon Clyburn, Principal, MLC Strategies, Open Society Foundations Leadership in Government Fellow and Former Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
Rob McDowell, Partner, Cooley LLP and Former Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
Geoffrey Starks, Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
Bryan Tramont (moderator), Managing Partner, Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP

8:30 pm EDT – 10:30 EDT  Happy Hour & Debate Watching Party (or TBA) in Gather.town
Friday, October 23  Media

10:55 am EDT – 11:00 am EDT  Welcome Remarks
Scott Wallsten, President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

11:00 am EDT – 12:15 pm EDT  Section 230 and the Election
Neil Fried, Principal, DigitalFrontiers Advocacy
Alexandra Reeve Givens, President and Chief Executive Officer, Center for Democracy and Technology
Eric Goldman, Professor of Law and Co-Director, High Tech Law Institute, Santa Clara University School of Law
Karl Herchenroeder, Assistant Editor, Communications Daily
Jamie Susskind, Vice President, Policy and Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Technology Association
Sarah Oh (moderator), Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

12:15 pm EDT – 1:00 pm EDT  Lunch Break

1:00 pm EDT – 2:00 pm EDT  Fireside Chat and Q&A
Kevin Mayer, Former Chief Executive Officer, TikTok and Chief Operating Officer, ByteDance
Laura Martin (moderator), Senior Analyst, Entertainment, Cable and Media, Needham & Company LLC

2:00 pm EDT – 3:15 pm EDT  Streaming & Bundling
Laura Martin, Senior Analyst, Entertainment, Cable and Media, Needham & Company LLC
Rahul Telang, Trustees Professor of Information Systems, Heinz College at Carnegie Mellon University
Andrew Wallenstein, President and Chief Media Analyst, Variety Intelligence Platform
Ali Yurukoglu, Associate Professor, Economics, Stanford University Graduate School of Business
Scott Wallsten (moderator), President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute

3:15 pm EDT  Closing Remarks
Scott Wallsten, President and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute
Speakers

**FIONA ALEXANDER** is a Distinguished Fellow in Residence at American University's Internet Governance Lab and the founder of Salt Point Strategies. Ms. Alexander was the Associate Administrator for International Affairs at NTIA where she was the principal official responsible for the analysis, development, and execution of international Internet, cyber, and communications policy within the Executive Branch of the United States government. In 2017 she became NTIA’s sole winner of the Presidential Rank Award for her leadership in the two-decade effort to privatize the Internet’s domain name system (DNS). Ms. Alexander began her career as an intern at the U.S. Information Agency and spent two years as a consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton, before beginning as Senior Telecommunications Policy Specialist at NTIA in 2000. She is a graduate of American University’s International Affairs master’s program.

**JANE BAMBUAER** is a Professor of Law at the University of Arizona. Professor Bambauer’s research assesses the social costs and benefits of Big Data, and questions the wisdom of many well-intentioned privacy laws. Her articles have appeared in the Stanford Law Review, the Michigan Law Review, the California Law Review, and the Journal of Empirical Legal Studies. Professor Bambauer’s own data-driven research explores biased judgment, legal education, and legal careers. She holds a JD from Yale Law School and B$ in mathematics from Yale College.

**HONORABLE BRENDAN CARR** was nominated to serve as a Commissioner of the FCC by President Donald J. Trump, and he was confirmed unanimously by the United States Senate in 2017. In 2019, Carr was nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate to serve a new, five-year term. He focuses on regulatory reforms that will help create jobs and grow the economy for the benefit of all Americans. He is leading the FCC’s work to modernize the infrastructure rules governing the buildout of 5G and other next-gen networks. His reforms are predicted to cut billions of dollars in red tape and have already accelerated 5G builds—helping to bring more broadband to more Americans. By updating our country’s infrastructure rules, he’s helped extend U.S. leadership in 5G and ensured that rural America has a fair shot at next generation connectivity. A graduate of Georgetown University, Commissioner Carr clerked on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit for Judge Dennis W. Shedd. He graduated magna cum laude from law school at the Catholic University of America where he served as an editor of the Catholic University Law Review.
MIGNON CLYBURN is a Principal at MLC Strategies, LLC where she provides strategic advice and critical solutions in the technology, media, telecommunications and investor owned utility industries. Clyburn was sworn in for her first term as commissioner at the Federal Communications Commission on August 3, 2009, sworn in for a second term on February 19, 2013, and served until June 6, 2018. She also served as Acting FCC Chairwoman from May 20, 2013 through November 4, 2013. While at the FCC, Commissioner Clyburn was committed to closing the digital divide. Specifically, she was an advocate for Lifeline Modernization, which assists low income consumers defray the cost of broadband service, championed diversity in media ownership, initiated Inmate calling services reforms, emphasized diversity and inclusion in STEM opportunities, and fought to preserve a free and open internet. Prior to the FCC, she spent 11 years serving on the Public Service Commission (PSC) of South Carolina. Prior to the PSC, Clyburn was the publisher and general manager of the Coastal Times, a Charleston-based weekly newspaper that focused primarily on issues affecting the African American community for 14 years. She holds a BS in banking, finance, and economics from the University of South Carolina.

IAN CONNER is Director of the Bureau of Competition at the Federal Trade Commission. Ian joined the FTC as Deputy Director of the Bureau of Competition in 2017 from private practice. Prior to his time in private practice, Ian began his career in the Honors Program at the Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, and later served as a staff attorney in the Transportation, Energy, and Agriculture Section of the Division. He earned a JD from William & Mary Law School and BA from Washington and Lee University.
NEIL FRIED brings more than 25 years of experience in the public and private sectors on media and technology law. In January 2020 he launched DigitalFrontiers Advocacy, which works to advance respect for the First Amendment, intellectual property, free markets, and the rule of law as mutually reinforcing pillars of creativity, innovation, and economic growth in a democratic society. Prior to starting DigitalFrontiers Advocacy, he spent close to seven years as SVP for Government and Regulatory Affairs at the Motion Picture Association. Neil joined the MPA in 2013 from the House Energy and Commerce Committee, where he served nearly a decade as chief counsel on media and technology issues. Before his work on the Hill, Neil represented clients before Congress and the Federal Communications Commission while at the D.C. offices of two law firms: first Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand, and then Paul Hastings. Neil helped implement the 1996 Telecommunications Act as an attorney with the FCC from 1996 to 2000. Before coming to the FCC, he was a John S. and James L. Knight Fellow at the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press. Neil received a JD from Washington University School of Law in St. Louis and BS in Journalism from Northwestern University.

BRUNO GENCARELLI heads the International Data flows and Protection Unit at the European Commission. He led the Commission’s work in the area of data protection in the decisive phases of the legislative reform and the EU-US negotiations. In that capacity, he headed the Commission’s delegation in the interinstitutional negotiations with the European Parliament and the Council that resulted in the adoption of the EU data protection reform (“General Data Protection Regulation” and “Law Enforcement Directive”). He was also one of the lead negotiators of the EU-US Privacy Shield and “Umbrella Agreement”. He recently negotiated the mutual adequacy arrangement with Japan. Mr. Gencarelli previously served as a member of the European Commission’s Legal Service and as an assistant (référendaire) to a judge at the European Court of Justice after having practiced law in the private sector. He holds degrees in law and political science, and teaches EU Competition Law at Sciences Po Paris. He is the author of numerous publications on EU law.
KELLY GILLIS was appointed Associate Deputy Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) in January, 2015. In this role, she provides leadership and policy advice on key sectors, with a particular focus on the digital economy, telecommunications policy and regulation, tourism and small business. She also plays a principal role in many of the department’s policy matters, such as Connect to Innovate, Canada's new Tourism Vision, and defense procurement. Prior to this appointment, Kelly served as Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Spectrum, Information Technologies and Telecommunications (SITT) Sector. At SITT, Kelly supported the development and use of world-class information and communications technologies, including management and oversight of Canada's radio spectrum frequencies, research at the Communications Research Centre, cyber security and Connecting Canadians. Kelly holds a Bachelor of Commerce and Graduate Diploma in Public Accounting from McGill University and is also a qualified chartered accountant.

ALEXANDRA REEVE GIVENS is CDT’s President & CEO, and an advocate for using technology to increase equality, amplify voices, and promote human rights. Prior to joining CDT, Alex served as the founding Executive Director of the Institute for Technology Law & Policy at Georgetown Law. While at Georgetown, she was a founding leader of the university’s Initiative on Tech & Society. Alex previously served as Chief Counsel for IP and Antitrust on the Senate Judiciary Committee. She developed legislative and oversight strategy on matters including patent reform, federal trade secrets legislation, net neutrality, First Amendment issues surrounding online speech, access to medicines, and oversight of mergers and antitrust policy. Alex began her career as a litigator at Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York City, and taught for five years as an adjunct professor at Columbia University School of Law. Alex serves on the Board of the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation and is a mayoral appointee on D.C.’s Innovation and Technology Inclusion Council. She holds JD from Columbia University School of Law and a BA from Yale University.

ERIC GOLDMAN is a Professor of Law and Co-Director of the High Tech Law Institute at Santa Clara University School of Law, Co-Director of the High Tech Law Institute and Supervisor of the Privacy Law Certificate. His research and teaching focuses on Internet law. Previously, he was an Assistant Professor at Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee, WI, General Counsel of Epinions, Inc. and Internet lawyer at Cooley Godward LLP. Goldman received his BA, summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa, in Economics/Business from UCLA in 1988. He received his JD from UCLA in 1994, where he was a member of the UCLA Law Review, and concurrently received his MBA from the Anderson School at UCLA.
AMBASSADOR DAVID A. GROSS is a Partner in Wiley Rein’s Telecom, Media & Technology Practice. He advises companies and others on international and domestic telecoms, internet, and high-tech strategy focusing on both specific markets and international organizations. Gross is the former U.S. Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy at the U.S. Department of State. During his tenure at the State Department, Ambassador Gross had overall responsibility for the formulation and advocacy of international communications policy for the United States. Prior to this position, he served as Washington counsel to AirTouch Communications (now Vodafone) and was in private law practice. Gross received his BA from the University of Pennsylvania and JD from Columbia Law School.

ROBERT HAHN is a Distinguished Senior Fellow at the Technology Policy Institute. He is also a visiting professor and former director of economics at the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment, Oxford University and a senior fellow at the Georgetown University Center for Business and Public Policy. He also is co-founder of The Behavioralist and Signol, two companies that use behavioral economics and evidence-based policy making to promote the social good. Bob worked at the American Enterprise Institute for two decades. While there, he co-founded and directed the AEI-Brookings Joint Center for Regulatory Studies, a leader in policy research in law and economics, regulation, and antitrust. Previously, he worked for the U.S. President’s Council of Economic Advisers and was the chief economist on the White House drafting team for the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments. Bob also has served on the faculties of Harvard University and Carnegie Mellon University. He served as a commissioner on the U.S. Commission on Evidence-Based Policymaking and is currently working with key decision makers on ways to promote evidence-based policy.

KARL HERCHENROEDER is a tech reporter for Communications Daily who focuses on policy developments around Capitol Hill. For the past three years, he’s reported on legislative action related to Section 230, privacy and tech antitrust. He received a Bachelor’s Degree in Journalism from the University of Maryland.
**CERI HOWES** is Head of Regulatory for Opensignal. Ceri works with policymakers and regulators around the world to drive evidence-based decision-making across a range of critical levers that drive widespread, accessible and high-quality connectivity. Opensignal is the independent global standard for understanding the true state of the world’s mobile networks based on end-to-end measurements of real user experience. Ceri has spent the bulk of her career committed to addressing the underlying enablers of improved connectivity and digital inclusion. She joined Opensignal in 2020 after spending seven years at the GSMA, where she was the Director of Advocacy for Regulatory Modernisation and prior to this, the Spectrum Policy Advisor for Sub-Saharan Africa and the Middle East. She has lived and worked extensively throughout the global South, working with policymakers and regulators on spectrum policy and strategy, national broadband plans and infrastructure regulation aimed at addressing the supply-side challenges to improved connectivity. In addition to these regulatory-focused roles, Ceri has worked directly with mobile operators to develop, deploy and scale applications and services that directly address the various barriers that prevent billions of people around the world from accessing the digital ecosystem. In addition to her global industry experience, Ceri has also spent time working for the UK communications regulator, Ofcom. At Ofcom she was the policy and strategy lead for a number of rural connectivity work streams. Ceri holds an MSc in Globalisation and Development from London’s School of Oriental and African Studies and earned BA degrees in International Relations and Business from the University of Redlands in California.

**LARRY IRVING** is the President and CEO of the Irving Group, a consulting firm providing strategic advice and assistance to international telecommunications and information technology companies, foundations and non-profit organizations. From September, 2009 to July, 2011, Mr. Irving served as Vice President for Global Government Affairs for the Hewlett-Packard Company. Mr. Irving is widely credited with coining the term the digital divide and sparking global interest in the issue. In large part due to his work to promote policies and develop programs to ensure access to advanced telecommunications and information technologies, Mr. Irving was named one of the fifty most influential persons in the ‘Year of the Internet’ by Newsweek Magazine. He previously served nearly 7 years as Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information in the Clinton Administration, addressing social and economic issues through enhancements of telecommunications and information technology policy. Larry received a BA from Northwestern University, and is a recipient of the University’s Alumni Merit Award for distinguished professional achievement. He is also a graduate of Stanford University School of Law, where he was elected President of his graduating class.
ANDREA JELINEK is head of the Austrian Data Protection Authority as of January 1, 2014. While still a student, she worked as a consultant at the Austrian Science Fund (FWF), later as a trainee lawyer and from 1991 as a legal officer at the General Secretariat of the Austrian Rectors' Conference. Two years later, she moved to the Ministry of the Interior, where she first worked as a legal officer and later as head of department in the legal and legislative department. One of her specializations - asylum and immigration law - helped determine her further career. From October 2010 to June 2011 she was head of the Vienna Foreign Police. Before that, in 2003, she was the first woman in Vienna to be appointed head of a police commissioner's office. Since February 2018, she has also been the Chair of the Article 29 Working Party.

AYNNE KOKAS is an Associate Professor of Media Studies at the University of Virginia. Kokas' work focuses on the intersections between Chinese and US media and technology industries. Her book, Hollywood Made in China, examines the cultural, political and economic implications of US media investment in China as it becomes the world's largest film market. Kokas' current project Border Control on the Digital Frontier: China, the United States, and the Global Battle for Data Security examines how Chinese cybersecurity policies are establishing new global standards for the movement of data, aided by the support of US capital markets, the buy-in of US companies, and the neglect of US policymakers. She was a consultant for Warner Bros. Digital, in addition to a range of other Fortune 500 technology, financial services and manufacturing companies. She has been a visiting fellow at the Shanghai Institute of International Studies and a visiting professor at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and a Fulbright Scholar at East China Normal University. Kokas is currently a non-resident scholar in Chinese media at the Baker Institute of Public Policy at Rice University, a term member in the Council on Foreign Relations, and a fellow in the Public Intellectuals Program of the National Committee on US-China Relations. She is fluent in Mandarin and began her career in Chinese media by studying directing at Beijing Film Academy.
THOMAS LENARD is Senior Fellow and President Emeritus at the Technology Policy Institute. Lenard is the author or coauthor of numerous books and articles on telecommunications, electricity, antitrust, privacy, e-commerce and other regulatory issues. His publications include Net Neutrality or Net Neutering: Should Broadband Internet Services Be Regulated?; The Digital Economy Fact Book; Privacy and the Commercial Use of Personal Information; Competition, Innovation and the Microsoft Monopoly: Antitrust in the Digital Marketplace; and Deregulating Electricity: The Federal Role. Before joining the Technology Policy Institute, Lenard was acting president, senior vice president for research and senior fellow at The Progress & Freedom Foundation. He has served in senior economics positions at the Office of Management and Budget, the Federal Trade Commission and the Council on Wage and Price Stability, and was a member of the economics faculty at the University of California, Davis. He is a past president and chairman of the board of the National Economists Club. Lenard is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and holds a PhD in economics from Brown University.

JUDITH MARISCAL is Professor at the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) and Director of the Telecommunications Research Program (Telecom-CIDE). Telecom-CIDE has been creating and disseminating knowledge on ICT for development for the past fifteen years. She is a member at the highest level (III) of the National Research System in Mexico (SNI), and member of the Steering Committee of the Regional Dialogue on the Information Society (DIRSI), as well as the Communications Policy Research Conference (CPR-LATAM). Judith is Associate Editor of Information Technologies and International Development (ITID), former member of the Board of Advisors of the telecommunications regulatory agency COFETEL, and former Director of the Public Policy and Administration Division at CIDE. Judith Mariscal has participated in numerous ICT research projects at the national and international level. She has published extensively on telecommunications regulatory policies. She has authored the books: Licitación 21: Public Policy Lessons in Telecommunications, (CIDE 2014, Editor), Digital Poverty: Prospects for Latin America and the Caribbean, (CIDE 2009, co-editor with Hernan Galperín) and Unfinished Business: Telecommunications Reform in Mexico (Praeger Press 2002.) Mariscal holds a PhD in Public Policy from the LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin.
LAURA MARTIN is Managing Director of Needham & Company, where she publishes research on the largest Internet and Entertainment companies. Martin began her career at Drexel Burnham Lambert in media investment banking, followed by Capital Research & Management, where she advised $100 billion and managed a $500 million portfolio of media stocks. She moved to Credit Suisse First Boston in 1994 as the senior media analyst, where she was nationally ranked by Institutional Investor between 1999 and 2001. In 2002, Martin moved to Paris to become EVP of Financial Strategy and Investor Relations for Vivendi Universal. In 2004, she founded Media Metrics, LLC publishing equity research on the largest entertainment, cable and Internet stocks in the U.S., where she was nationally ranked as “Best of the Independent Research Boutiques” by Institutional Investor for many years. She received her BA from Stanford and her MBA from Harvard Business School, and she is a CFA and CMT.

KEVIN MAYER was the CEO of TikTok and COO of its parent company ByteDance Ltd until his resignation on August 26, 2020. Prior to his appointment as TikTok CEO, Mayer was the Chairman of Direct-to-Consumer & International division of The Walt Disney Company. He was previously the senior executive vice president and chief strategy officer of Disney where he managed their acquisitions of Pixar, Marvel Entertainment, Lucasfilm, and 21st Century Fox. He also directed the divestitures of Miramax and ABC Radio.

ROBERT MCDOWELL is co-chair of Cooley's global communications practice group and he advises telecommunications, media and technology clients on their most significant regulatory, legal and business matters. As a former commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission and a highly regarded industry leader, Rob has been at the forefront of the most complex and groundbreaking issues facing telecommunications. Rob was first appointed to the FCC by President George W. Bush in 2006 and again by President Obama in 2009. He was unanimously confirmed both times by the US Senate. During his tenure, Rob led efforts to expand consumer access to spectrum through his work on the two largest wireless auctions in US history at the time, played a key role in the 2009 digital television transition and led efforts to establish the first federal civil rights rule in a generation by creating a ban on racially discriminatory practices in broadcast advertising. While at the FCC, Rob also worked extensively on several large and complex mergers, including: Sirius/XM; Comcast/NBC-Universal; Verizon/AllTel; AT&T/Dobson; Sprint/Clearwire; Verizon/SpectrumCO and AT&T/T-Mobile. At Cooley, he represents clients on transformative deals before the FCC, Congress, the White House and other regulatory bodies.
CHRISTINA MONTGOMERY is Chief Privacy Officer and Vice President at IBM. As Chief Privacy Officer, Christina oversees IBM’s privacy program, compliance and strategy on a global basis, and directs all aspects of IBM’s privacy policies. She also chairs IBM’s AI Ethics Board, a multi-disciplinary team responsible for the governance and decision-making process for AI ethics policies and practices. From 2013-2018, Christina served as IBM’s Managing Attorney, overseeing the Law Department’s strategic and transformational initiatives, hiring and recruiting, professional development, budget management, and other projects on a worldwide basis. Christina joined IBM in 1994 as an attorney supporting IBM Sales and served in a variety of other positions throughout the Law Department. Ms. Montgomery received a BA from Binghamton University and a JD from Harvard Law School.

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LEAH NYLEN covers antitrust and investigations for POLITICO Pro. Before joining POLITICO, Leah spent eight years covering antitrust at MLex. She has also worked for Bloomberg and Congressional Quarterly and was selected as an Abe Journalist Fellow in 2014 for a reporting project in Japan on price-fixing cartels and cartel deterrence policies.

SARAH OH is a Research Fellow at the Technology Policy Institute. She was previously the Operations and Research Director for the Information Economy Project at George Mason School of Law. She has also presented research at the 39th Telecommunications Policy Research Conference and has co-authored work published in the Northwestern Journal of Technology & Intellectual Property among other research projects. Her research interests include law and economics, regulatory analysis, and technology policy. Oh completed her PhD in Economics from George Mason University, and holds a JD from GMU and a BS in Management Science and Engineering from Stanford University.
MAUREEN K. OHLHAUSEN was sworn in as a Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission on April 4, 2012. She served as Acting FTC Chairman from January 2017 until April 2018. Prior to her most recent tenure with the Commission, Ohlhausen was a partner at Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP, where she focused on FTC issues, including privacy, data protection, and cybersecurity. Ohlhausen previously served at the Commission for 11 years. Ohlhausen graduated with distinction from Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University in 1991 and graduated with honors from the University of Virginia in 1984. Ohlhausen was on the adjunct faculty at the Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University, where she taught privacy law and unfair trade practices. She served as a Senior Editor of the Antitrust Law Journal and a member of the American Bar Association Task Force on Competition and Public Policy.

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HONORABLE AJIT PAI is the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission. The son of Indian immigrants to the United States, Pai grew up in Parsons, Kansas. He studied social studies at Harvard University, then earned a law degree at the University of Chicago Law School. He worked as a lawyer in various offices of the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, with a two-year stint as an in-house lawyer for Verizon Communications. He joined the FCC as a lawyer in its Office of General Counsel in 2007. He was nominated to be a commissioner in 2011 by President Barack Obama, who followed tradition in preserving balance on the commission by accepting the recommendation of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. He was confirmed unanimously by the U.S. Senate on May 7, 2012, and was sworn in on May 14, 2012, for a five-year term. In January 2017, newly inaugurated president Donald Trump designated Pai as FCC Chairman. He is the first Indian American to hold the office. In March 2017, Trump announced that he would renominate Pai to serve another five-year term. Pai was confirmed by the U.S. Senate for an additional five-year term on October 2, 2017.
JEFFREY PRINCE is Professor and Chair of Business Economics and Public Policy at the Kelley School of Business, Indiana University. He is also the Harold A. Poling Chair in Strategic Management and Co-Director of the Institute for Business Analytics at Kelley. He recently served as Chief Economist at the Federal Communications Commission. His primary focus is on technology markets and telecommunications, having published works on dynamic demand for computers, Internet adoption and usage, the inception of online/offline product competition, and telecom bundling. His research also encompasses topics such as household-level risk aversion, airline quality competition, and regulation in healthcare and real estate markets. His works have appeared in top general interest journals in both economics and management, including the American Economic Review, the International Economic Review, Management Science, and the Academy of Management Journal. He has also published in top journals in industrial organization, including the Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, and the International Journal of Industrial Organization. He is currently a co-editor at the Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, and is on the board of editors at Information Economics and Policy. He holds a PhD in economics from Northwestern University.

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