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Patricia Paoletta is a partner with the law firm of Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP, where she specializes in telecommunications and technology policy. Ms. Paoletta provides advice on regulatory, legislative and trade policy to clients before the Congress, the Administration and the FCC. Her clients include providers of wireless, media, and international telecommunications services and homeland security solutions. She serves on Advisory Boards for several entities engaged in information services, communications and technology.

Ms. Paoletta has accrued considerable experience with telecommunications policy and trade development in the public sector. From 1990 to 1995, she was a senior advisor to the International Bureau Chief and Office Director at the Federal Communications Commission. During 1995 and 1996, Ms. Paoletta served as Director of Telecommunications Trade Policy in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, and then was Majority Counsel to the House Commerce Committee for three years. She served as Vice President, Government Relations of Level 3 Communications from 1999-2001.

Her experiences on various committees and forums have also proven of great value to her clients. Ms. Paoletta is Vice President of the Republican National Lawyers Association and Chair of its Communications Committee, a member of the Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA) Ad Hoc Speakers Committee, and has served as Co-Chair of the American Bar Association International Communications Committee and a member of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Technology Policy Committee. In addition, she served as a delegate to the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) World Telecommunications Standards Assembly (2000); the ITU Internet Protocol Telephony Experts Group and the ITU World Telecommunications Policy Forum in 2001; as Chair for the National Reliability and Interoperability Council (NRIC) Steering Committee (2000-2001); as Board Member for the Voice on the Net Coalition (2001); and as Co-Chair for the FCBA International Practice Committee (2001-2002 and 2005-2006) and the FCBA Legislative Practice Committee (1999-2000).

Before joining Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP, Ms. Paoletta was a partner at Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP.

