

L. Charles Keller

Partner

L. Charles Keller assists clients with policy, strategy, and compliance issues related to matters under the jurisdiction of the FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau and state regulatory issues. Mr. Keller is recognized as an expert in the FCC's universal service rules, and works extensively with clients participating in the FCC's Connect America Fund, Mobility Fund, E-rate, Lifeline, and Rural Health Care support programs, as well as clients with questions or problems related to universal service contribution and Form 499 reporting issues. He also works on policy and transactional issues before state public utility commissions. In addition, he has extensive experience in telecommunications numbering issues, including number portability and toll-free numbering issues.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Keller spent five years at the FCC, where he held senior leadership positions in the then-Common Carrier Bureau and also served on the federal staff of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. In this capacity, he was integrally involved in the development of federal Universal Service policy. Later, as Chief of the Network Services Division, he led development of policies for telecommunications number assignment and rules protecting against number exhaust.

Mr. Keller is an active member of the Federal Communications Bar Association and has served as a Co-Chair of its Wireline Practice Committee and State and Local Practice Committee. He serves on the Board of the LGBT Technology Partnership. He also represents several clients on a pro bono basis in political asylum cases on referral from Whitman Walker Legal Services of Washington, DC.

ACTIVITIES AND RECOGNITION

Member, Federal Communications Bar Association - Chair of FCBA State & Local Practice Committee (2014-2015)

Named to The Best Lawyers in America® for Communications Law (2016-2017; 2019)

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EDUCATION

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PRACTICE AREAS

Broadband & IP-Enabled Services
State Regulation
Wired Communications
Wireless Communications