



## **Panelist Biographies**

### **Larry F. Darby, The American Consumer Institute**

Larry Darby is President of Darby Associates -- Communications Consultants in Washington DC, senior advisor to CompassRose International, and a Senior Fellow and board member of The American Consumer Institute Center for Citizen Research. He has served as Chief Economist and Chief of the FCC's Common Carrier Bureau, Vice President of investment banking at Lehman Brothers, spent two years on Capitol Hill, and served as Senior Economist in the White House Office Telecommunications Policy. He has taught at George Washington, George Mason University, New York Law School and Temple University. Dr. Darby has testified before Congress on wireless spectrum, deregulation of telecom markets and other issues. He earned a doctorate in economics from Indiana University.

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### **Stephen B. Pociask, The American Consumer Institute**

Steve Pociask is President of The American Consumer Institute Center for Citizen Research. Prior to this, he served as Chief Economist and Executive Vice President for Joel Popkin and Co., an economic consulting firm in Washington, DC; and before this he was Chief Economist for Bell Atlantic Communication. He has published numerous economic studies on telecommunications and broadband issues, including three books for the Economic Policy Institute, studies for independent think tanks and two studies Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy. He has testified before Congress on broadband regulation and has completed his Ph.D. coursework in economics and has an M.A. in economics from George Mason University.

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### **Joseph Fuhr, Jr., The American Consumer Institute, Widener University**

Dr. Fuhr is a Professor of Economics at Widener University and a senior fellow for The American Consumer Institute. His primary research areas are antitrust, health and environmental economics, pharmacoeconomics, telecommunications, and sports economics. He has published over forty journal articles. In the field of telecommunications, he has written on investment and innovation, taxation, rural telephony, terminal equipment and universal service. Professor Fuhr has been an expert witness on antitrust matters and has worked on various consulting projects. He is affiliated with the School of Population Health at Thomas Jefferson University. Dr. Fuhr received his M.A. and Ph.D. from Temple University and his B.A. from LaSalle University.

## **Hance Haney, Discovery**

Hance Haney is Director and Senior Fellow of the Technology & Democracy Project at the Discovery Institute in Washington, D.C. Haney spent ten years as an aide to former Senator Bob Packwood (OR), and advised him in his capacity as chairman of the Senate Communications Subcommittee during the deliberations leading to the Telecommunications Act of 1996. He subsequently held various positions with the United States Telecom Association and Qwest Communications. He earned a B.A. in history from Willamette University and a J.D. from Lewis and Clark Law School in Portland, Oregon.

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## **Jeffrey Eisenach, Empiris**

Jeffrey Eisenach is Chairman and a Managing Partner at Empiris LLC, a Washington, DC-based economics consulting firm, and an Adjunct Professor at George Mason University Law School. He has more than 25 years experience performing economic analyses of competition, regulatory and public policy issues, and has served in senior policy positions at the U.S. Federal Trade Commission and the White House Office of Management and Budget. He has also served on the faculties of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Prior to joining Empiris, Eisenach served as Chairman of Criterion Economics, Chairman of CapAnalysis, and President at the Progress & Freedom Foundation, as well as a scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, the Heritage Foundation and the Hudson Institute. He holds a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Virginia and a B.A. in economics from Claremont McKenna College.

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## **Hal J. Singer, Empiris**

Hal Singer is President and Managing Partner of Empiris, LLC. His areas of economic expertise are antitrust, finance, and regulation. He is the co-author of the book *Broadband in Europe: How Brussels Can Wire the Information Society*, authored numerous studies, testified on telecommunications and broadband issues, and has published scholarly articles in dozens of economics and legal journals. Dr. Singer is a frequent speaker and editorial writer; his columns have appeared in several leading newspapers, including the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Washington Post*, and Canada's *National Post*. Dr. Singer earned M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in economics from the Johns Hopkins University and a B.S. magna cum laude in economics from Tulane University.

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## **Everett Ehrlich, ESC**

Everett Ehrlich is President of ESC Company, a Washington-based consulting firm that combines economic, strategic, and communications skills. He had previously served as Undersecretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs, Chief Economist and Vice-President for Strategic Planning of Unisys Corporation, and Senior Vice-President and Director of Research

for the Committee for Economic Development. He was for eight years an economics commentator on National Public Radio's Morning Edition and is the author of two novels, *Big Government* and *Grant Speaks*, both by Warner Books.

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### **Randolph J. May**, Free State Foundation

Randolph May is President of The Free State Foundation. The Free State Foundation is an independent, non-profit free market-oriented think tank. Earlier in his career, Mr. May practiced communications, administrative, and regulatory law as a partner at major national law firms and served as Assistant General Counsel and Associate General Counsel at the Federal Communication Commission. He has published more than one hundred twenty-five articles and essays on communications, administrative and constitutional law topics. In addition, he is the editor of *New Directions in Communications Policy*, a new book published by Carolina Academic Press, and co-editor of two books, *Net Neutrality or Net Neutering: Should Broadband Internet Services Be Regulated?* and *Communications Deregulation and FCC Reform*. Mr. May is an adjunct professor of law at George Mason University School of Law. He received his A.B. from Duke University and his J.D. from Duke Law School.

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### **John W. Mayo**, Georgetown University

John Mayo is a Professor of Economics, Business and Public Policy in Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business. He also is the Executive Director of the Georgetown Center for Business and Public Policy. His research interests lie in the areas of industrial organization, regulation and antitrust economics. He has published roughly 50 articles in economics, law and public policy journals; and is the co-author of a comprehensive text, *"Government and Business: The Economics of Antitrust and Regulation."* Professor Mayo has held a number of senior administrative positions at Georgetown including a term as the Dean of the McDonough School of Business from 2002-2004. Additionally, he has been the Chief Economist, U.S. Senate Small Business Committee (Democratic Staff) and has served as an advisor and consultant to both public and private agencies, including the U.S. Department of Justice, the Federal Trade Commission and the U.S. Department of Energy.

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### **Michael Calabrese**, New America Foundation

As Vice President of the New America Foundation, Michael Calabrese directs the Wireless Future Program and helps to guide the Foundation's work related to retirement security and the Next Social Contract Initiative. Previously, Mr. Calabrese served as Director of Domestic Policy Programs at the Center for National Policy, as General Counsel of the Congressional Joint Economic Committee, and as pension and employee benefits counsel at the national AFL-CIO. Mr. Calabrese speaks and writes frequently on issues related to spectrum, wireless broadband, and Internet policy, as well as on Next Social Contract issues related to improving retirement

security and health coverage. He has co-authored three books and published opinion articles in The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Atlantic Monthly and other leading outlets.

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### **Barbara Esbin, The Progress Freedom Foundation**

Barbara Esbin is Senior Fellow and Director of the Center for Communications and Competition Policy at The Progress & Freedom Foundation. Esbin served for over fourteen years at the Federal Communications Commission, most recently as Special Counsel in the Market Disputes Resolution Division of the Enforcement Bureau. Before joining the Enforcement Bureau at the FCC, Esbin spent four years as Associate Bureau Chief at the Commission's Media Bureau. There, she represented the Bureau on a number of inter-agency efforts and led the review of several major industry mergers and rulemakings addressing cable and broadband competition issues. Esbin has also served as Associate Bureau Chief of the Cable Services Bureau, Special Counsel for Competition and Senior Policy Advisor at the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Attorney-Advisor and Assistant Tariff Division Chief of the Common Carrier Bureau. She has spent time in private practice, specializing in cable and broadband regulatory issues between her two FCC engagements.

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### **Steve Titch, The Reason Foundation**

Steven Titch is a policy analyst at The Reason Foundation, a nonprofit think tank advancing free minds and free markets. Titch, whose Reason work focuses primarily on telecommunications, information technology, and municipal broadband issues, has worked previously with the Heartland Institute as managing editor of InfoTech & Telecom News (IT&T News). His columns have appeared in Investor's Business Daily, Total Telecom, and America's Network, among others. He is executive producer of Security Squared, and has served as director of editorial projects for *Data Communications* magazine, editorial director of *Telephony*, editor of *Global Telephony* magazine, Midwest bureau chief of *CommunicationsWeek*, associate editor-communications at *Electronic News*, and founding editor of *Cellular Business* (now *Wireless Review*). Titch graduated cum laude from Syracuse University with a dual degree in journalism and English.