## A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

1. Name (Include any former names or nicknames used):

Michael Patrick O'Rielly

2. Position to which nominated:

Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission

3. Date of Nomination:

March 18, 2020

4. Address (List current place of residence and office addresses):

Office: Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Room 8-A302 Washington, DC 20554

5. Date and Place of Birth:

July 8, 1971; Lockport, NY

- 6. Provide the name, position, and place of employment for your spouse (if married) and the names and ages of your children (including stepchildren and children by a previous marriage).
  - Sarah Elizabeth Goss O'Rielly, Cash Forecasting and Modeling Advisor, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Government of the District of Columbia

7. List all college and graduate degrees. Provide year and school attended.

University of Rochester, 1993, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

- 8. List all post-undergraduate employment, and highlight all managementlevel jobs held and any non-managerial jobs that relate to the position for which you are nominated.
  - A. Federal Communications Commission, Commissioner, November 2013 to present, management
  - B. Office of the Senate Republican Whip, Senator John Cornyn, Policy Advisor, January 2013 to November 2013
  - C. Office of the Senate Republican Whip, former Senator Jon Kyl, Deputy Chief of Staff and Policy Director, April 2012 to January 2013, management
  - D. Office of the Senate Republican Whip, former Senator Jon Kyl, Policy Advisor, July 2010 to April 2012
  - E. Senate Republican Policy Committee, Senator John Thune and former Senator John Ensign, Policy Analyst, January 2009 to July 2010
  - F. Former Senator John E. Sununu, Legislative Director, January 2007 to January 2009, management
  - G. Former Senator John E. Sununu, Legislative Assistant, January 2003 to January 2007
  - H. House of Representatives' Committee on Energy & Commerce, former Chairman W.J. "Billy" Tauzin and former Chairman Tom Bliley, Professional Staff Member, January 1998 to January 2003
  - I. House of Representatives' Committee on Energy & Commerce, former Chairman Tom Bliley, Telecommunications Policy Analyst, January 1995 to January 1998
  - J. Former Representative Tom Bliley, Legislative Assistant, January 1994 to January 1995
- 9. Attach a copy of your resume.

## Attached.

10. List any advisory, consultative, honorary, or other part-time service or positions with Federal, State, or local governments, other than those listed above, within the last ten years.

Not Applicable.

11. List all positions held as an officer, director, trustee, partner, proprietor, agent, representative, or consultant of any corporation, company, firm, partnership, or other business, enterprise, educational, or other institution within the last ten years.

Not Applicable.

12. Please list each membership you have had during the past ten years or currently hold with any civic, social, charitable, educational, political, professional, fraternal, benevolent or religious ly affiliated organization, private club, or other membership organization. (For this question, you do not have to list your religious affiliation or membership in a religious house of worship or institution.). Include dates of membership and any positions you have held with any organization. Please note whether any such club or organization restricts membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

Member, Knights of Columbus, Arlington VA Chapter, (March 2017 to present); membership is based on a male holding the Catholic faith.

13. Have you ever been a candidate for and/or held a public office (elected, non-elected, or appointed)? If so, indicate whether any campaign has any outstanding debt, the amount, and whether you are personally liable for that debt.

No.

14. List all memberships and offices held with and services rendered to, whether compensated or not, any political party or election committee within the past ten years. If you have held a paid position or served in a formal or official advisory position (whether compensated or not) in a political campaign within the past ten years, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, year of the campaign, and your title and responsibilities.

Volunteer: Health, Education, & Crime Policy Staff, 2012 Republican Platform Committee.

15. Itemize all political contributions to any individual, campaign organization, political party, political action committee, or similar entity of \$500 or more for the past ten years.

None.

- 16. List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, honorary society memberships, military medals, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievements.
  - A. CTIA Wireless Foundation, Mobile Life Award, 2018
  - B. Phoenix Center for Advanced Legal & Economic Public Policy Studies, Jerry B. Duval Public Service Award, 2018
  - C. Wireless Connect, Spectrum Champion of the Year, 2019
  - D. Wi-Fi Alliance, Commitment to Wi-Fi Award, 2019
  - E. Women in Cable Telecommunications, Washington/Baltimore Chapter, Touchstones of Leadership Outstanding Public Service Award, 2019
  - F. New York State Broadcasters Association, Inc., New Yorker of the Year, 2019
- 17. Please list each book, article, column, Internet blog posting, or other publication you have authored, individually or with others. Include a link to each publication when possible. Also list any speeches that you have given on topics relevant to the position for which you have been nominated. Do not attach copies of these publications unless otherwise instructed.

<u>Columns</u>

- 1. The Hill, "FCC's grab for new regulatory power could go beyond broadband providers," May 6, 2014
- 2. National Review Online, "Net Neutrality & Cost Benefit Analysis" (with then Rep. Blackburn), July 10, 2014
- 3. Politico, "FCC's Lifeline Program Ripe for Fraud, Abuse" (with then Rep. Blackburn), July 12, 2015
- 4. WSJ, "The Consequences of a Washington Internet Power Grab," (with then FTC Commissioner Maureen Ohlhausen, August 8, 2015
- 5. The Hill, "Improving the 5.9 GHz band to enhance unlicensed and Wi-Fi networks" (with Rep. Latta), March 2, 2016

- 6. National Review Online, "The Path to protecting Americans Online," April 7, 2017
- 7. Roll Call, "Opinion: Stop the Next Internet Power Grab" (with Sen. Cruz), November 21, 2017
- 8. The Hill, "States are stealing funds from 9-1-1 emergency services — now they'll be punished" (with FCC Commissioner Rosenworcel), February 9, 2018
- 9. WSJ, "A Smarter Approach to Saturday Morning Cartoons," June 20, 2018
- 10. National Review Online, "A Solid Process and Proposal to Update Kid Vid," July 5, 2018
- 11. The Hill, "Reining in UN's little known International Telecommunication Union," August 8, 2018
- 12. Morning Consult, "Empowering U.S. 5G by Fixing the CBRS Rules," October 2, 2018
- 13. The Hill, "'Kid Vid' TV rules are growing up," July 19, 2019

Official FCC Blog (available on FCC Website)

- 1. Blog Introduction and Views on E-Rate Reform, February 12, 2014
- Thoughts on Broadcast Television JSAs and SSAs, February 9, 2014
- 3. Duplication Alert: Broadband Pilot Projects, March 5, 2014
- 4. TCPA: It is Time for Clarity, March 25, 2014
- 5. On the Rise: Regulating Through Pilot Programs, April 10, 2014
- 6. E-Labeling Deserves Serious Consideration, April 25, 2014
- 7. FCC Needs to Improve its 911 and IPv6 Compliance, June 2, 2014
- 8. With an Eye Towards WRC 2015, June 9, 2014
- 9. Introducing the Internet to the FCC's Contest Rules, June 16, 2014
- 10. Disturbing Trend in USF Funding, July 7, 2014
- 11. Most Definitely: Terminate Dormant Proceedings, July 8, 2014
- 12. Post Text of Meeting Items in Advance, August 7, 2014
- 13. Alaska: Lessons Learned, September 5, 2014
- 14. USF Contribution Factor Over Time, September 11, 2014
- Harmful Consumer Wireless Behavior and Practices, October 14, 2014
- 16. More Pocket Dialing, October 30, 2014
- 17. Lessons of the 2014 Plenipot, November 17, 2014
- 18. Expanding FCC Use of Electronic Communications, January 14, 2015

- 19. Up date on Advanced Posting of Commission Meeting Items, January 16, 2015
- 20. Municipal Broadband: A Snapshot, January 30, 2015
- 21. Delegated Authority: Serious Objections and Solutions, February 2, 2015
- 22. Sound Principles for Lifeline Reform, February 13, 2015
- 23. Embrace the Internet for EEO "Widely Disseminated Rule," February 20, 2015
- 24. Driving Wi-Fi Ahead: The Upper 5 GHz Band, February 23, 2015 (with Commissioner Rosenworcel)
- 25. Affirmatively Expand Permissible Foreign Ownership, March 3, 2015
- 26. Fixing Flawed and Non-Existent "Editorial Privileges," March 9, 2015
- USF High-Cost Programs: Best and Realistic Timelines, March 24, 2015
- 28. AWS-3 Auction: Lessons Learned, March 27, 2015
- 29. FCC Pre-Adoption Process Also Needs Work, April 1, 2015
- 30. Consider a New Way to Combat Pirate Radio Stations, April 8, 2015
- Guest Speakers & Questions at FCC Open Meetings, April 10, 2015
- 32. Problems with FCC Advisory Committees, May 1, 2015
- 33. Accountability for Enforcement Penalties & Fines, May 14, 2015
- 34. Setting Timelines for Revisiting Agency Decisions, July 10, 2015
- 35. Revamping predicative Judgments & Interim Rules, July 27, 2015
- 36. Enacting More "Sticks": Spectrum Fees for Government Users, September 8, 2015
- 37. Steering into the Future with More Wi-Fi by Sharing the Upper 5 GHz Band, September 16, 2015
- 38. Team Telecom Needs More Structure, September 18, 2015
- 39. A Draft Pirate Radio Policy and Enforcement Statement, September 24, 2015
- 40. Improving Broadcasters' Physical Security, September 29, 2015
- 41. Rethinking Outdated Voice Regulations, November 12, 2015
- 42. Fixing a Problem with the Hearing Aid Compatibility Mandate, November 30, 2015
- 43. A Starting Point for CAF Post-ROFR Auction, December 10, 2015
- 44. Regulation by Citation, January 5, 2016

- 45. 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference: A Troubling Direction, January 15, 2016
- 46. Defending Capitalism in Communications, February 12, 2016
- 47. Stop Unfairly Censoring Commissioners, February 24, 2016
- 48. Lifeline Reform: Add a Hard Budget, March 3, 2016
- 49. Improving the FCC Circulation Process, May 31, 2016
- 50. Principles for Media Ownership Reform, June 3, 2016
- 51. Defining Auto Safety of Life in 5.9 GHz, June 8, 2016
- 52. Debunking Anti-App Claims, June 27, 2016
- 53. Snapshot of Process Reform Ideas, July 8, 2016
- 54. A Path for Mobility Fund Phase II? July 25, 2016
- 55. Ending Cable Signal Leakage Rules for Fiber Builds, September 16, 2016
- 56. Preserving Consumer Privacy Trades, September 21, 2016
- 57. Set Top Box End Game, October 4, 2016
- 58. Federal Broadband Infrastructure Spending: Potential Pitfalls, February 1, 2017
- 59. Needed: A Universal FCC Deadline Policy, February 8, 2017
- 60. A Modified Delegated Authority Proposal, February 22, 2017
- 61. States Must Stop Raiding 9-1-1 Fees, March 1, 2017
- 62. Taking Stock of FCC Paperwork Burdens, March 3, 2017
- 63. New Tower Marking Provision Could Use Tweaks, March 10, 2107
- 64. Improved Staff Openness & New Priorities, March 22, 2017
- 65. International Efforts to Regulate the Internet Continue, April 21, 2017
- 66. Would Means-Testing Bring More Efficiencies to the High-Cost Program? May 31, 2017
- 67. A Mid-Band Spectrum Win in the Making, July 10, 2017
- 68. How to Free Up Government Held Spectrum in the Face of Increasing Budgetary Pressure, September 6, 2017
- 69. Thoughtfully Modernizing the Commission's Media Ownership Rules, October 20, 2017
- 70. Repairing the Must Vote Timing, January 9, 2018
- 71. Its Time to Reexamine the FCC's Kid Vid Requirements, January 26, 2018
- 72. Defining Recoverable Expenses for Rate-of-Return Providers, (with former Commissioner Mignon Clyburn), January 31, 2018
- 73. Paper FCC Record: Why in the World? February 2, 2018
- 74. Abusing Section 1, February 21, 2018

- 75. Experienced Advice for New Broadband Program, April 11, 2018
- 76. Debunking the Sinclair Agenda Myth, May 18, 2018
- 77. FCC Regulatory Free Arena, June 1, 2018
- 78. Status Update: Fixing the 9-1-1 Fee Diversion, June 8, 2018
- 79. Status Update: Fixing 9-1-1 Fee Diversion, November 29, 2018
- 80. Muni Broadband's Ominous Threat to the First Amendment, December 13, 2018
- 81. Further Improving the FCC's Procedures, December 20, 2018
- 82. A Needed USF Budgetary Cap, April 2, 2019
- 83. Substantive Objections to a Government 5G Wholesale Network, May 7, 2019
- 84. More Media Modernization: Program Carriage Process & Cable Operator Interests Recordkeeping, January 28, 2020
- 85. The 3.5 Auction is Finally a Go!, February 7, 2020

Speeches (available on FCC website)

- 1. Remarks before the Hudson Institute, January 27, 2014
- 2. Remarks before the Federal Communications Bar Association, April 1, 2014
- 3. Remarks before the Media Institute, June 19, 2014
- 4. Remarks before the LinkIDAHO 2014 Broadband Summit, September 2, 2014
- 5. Remarks before the NTCA Telecom Policy Summit, October 27, 2014
- 6. Remarks before the Free State Foundation, November 14, 2014
- 7. Remarks before the US Chamber of Commerce, November 17, 2014
- 8. Remarks before American Enterprise Institute Luncheon, January 21, 2015
- 9. Remarks before NAB State Leadership Conference, February 24, 2015
- 10. Remarks before WISPAmerica 2015, February 25, 2015
- 11. Remarks before Association of National Advertisers, April 1, 2015
- 12. Remarks before 2015 NAB Show, April 14, 2015
- Remarks before the 2015 Wireless Infrastructure Show, April 28, 2015
- 14. Remarks before the WTA-Advocates for Rural Broadband, May 5, 2015
- 15. Remarks before the Federal Communications Bar Association Annual Meeting, June 11, 2015

- Remarks before the NY State Broadcasters Association, June 23, 2015
- 17. Remarks before the Internet Innovation Alliance, June 25, 2015
- 18. Remarks before the Free State Foundation, July 28, 2015
- 19. Remarks before the Rural Wireless Association, September 11, 2015
- 20. Remarks before the Prosperity Caucus, September 22, 2015
- 21. Remarks before former Rep. Dave Brat's Spotsylvania, VA Town Hall, September 24, 2015
- 22. Remarks before PACE 2015 TCPA Washington Summit, September 28, 2015
- 23. Remarks before the 2015 NAB Radio Show, October 1, 2015
- 24. Remarks before the Competitive Carrier Association, October 7, 2015
- 25. Remarks before New America, January 12, 2016
- Remarks before the Country Radio Seminar 2016, February 9, 2016
- 27. Remarks before the NAB State Leadership Conference, February 23, 2016
- 28. Remarks before Faegre Baker Daniels Insights Luncheon, March 8, 2016
- 29. Remarks before the FCC's Spectrum Frontiers Workshop, March 10, 2016
- 30. Remarks before American Action Forum, March 29, 2016
- 31. Remarks before 2016 NAB Show, April 18, 2016
- 32. Remarks before the FCC's DAS & Small Cell Solutions Workshop, May 3, 2016
- 33. Remarks before the Advanced Television Systems Committee, May 11, 2016
- 34. Remarks before Hogan Lovells' Technology Forum, May 25, 2016
- 35. Remarks before New Jersey Broadcasters Association 2016 Conference, June 23, 2016
- 36. Remarks before Broadband for All Seminar, June 27, 2016
- 37. Remarks before the Communications Consulting Engineers, September 16, 2016
- 38. Remarks before the International Bar Association Conference, September 20, 2016
- 39. Remarks before the TPRC Research Conference, September 30, 2016
- 40. Remarks before Hudson Institute, October 13, 2016

- 41. Remarks before the International Broadcasters IdeaBank Conference, October 19, 2016
- 42. Remarks before Catholic University School of Law, November 3, 2016
- 43. Remarks before the Free State Foundation, December 7, 2016
- 44. Remarks before the New England Ratepayers Association, December 7, 2016
- 45. Remarks before the Satellite Industry Association, March 7, 2017
- 46. Remarks before the Hispanic Radio Conference, March 28, 2017
- 47. Remarks before NG911 Institute Lunch and Learn: Challenges and Opportunities for Funding the Future 9-1-1, April 12, 2017
- 48. Remarks before the Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee, April 21, 2017
- 49. Remarks before 2017 NAB Show, April 25, 2017
- 50. Remarks before Freedomworks & SBE Council Event, April 26, 2017
- 51. Remarks before ACA International's Washington Insights Conference, May 4, 2017
- 52. Remarks before ALEC Task Force Summit, May 5, 2017
- 53. Remarks before the Media Institute Luncheon, May 11, 2017
- 54. Remarks before the Wireless Infrastructure Show, May 23, 2017
- 55. Remarks before CITEL PCC.II Delegation, June 26, 2017
- 56. Remarks before Free State Foundation, July 25, 2017
- 57. Remarks before the CBRS Alliance, August 1, 2017
- Remarks before the Americans for Prosperity Summit, August 21, 2017
- 59. Remarks before the 7<sup>th</sup> Congreso Internacional de Espectro, September 6, 2017
- 60. Remarks before Latin America Spectrum Management Conference, September 7, 2017
- 61. Remarks before WTA's Fall Conference, September 19, 2017
- 62. Remarks before 5G Americas' Tech Briefing, October 5, 2017
- 63. Remarks before the IIC International Regulators Forum 2017, October 10, 2017
- 64. Remarks before the IIC Annual Conference 2017, October 11, 2017
- 65. Remarks before the Americas Spectrum Management Conference, October 13, 2017
- 66. Remarks before the New Jersey Wireless Association, October 18, 2017

- 67. Remarks before the Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee, November 9, 2017
- 68. Remarks before the Future of the Internet Freedom Event, November 28, 1017
- 69. Remarks before the Hudson Institute, February 6, 2018
- 70. Remarks before AT&T 3.5 GHz Future Innovation Showcase, February 13, 2018
- 71. Remarks before Rhode Island E911 Summit, March 20, 2018
- 72. Remarks before Diversity-Digital Entertainment Advisory Committee, March 27, 2018
- 73. Remarks before Garvey Schubert & Barer Communications Group, April 9, 2018
- 74. Remarks before 2018 NAB Show, April 10, 2018
- 75. Remarks before American Enterprise Institute, April 19, 2018
- 76. Remarks before Philadelphia Federalist Society, June 12, 2018
- 77. Remarks before Mackinac Center for Public Policy, June 20, 2018
- 78. Remarks before Cloud Comm Summit, June 27, 2018
- 79. Remarks before Free State Foundation, June 28, 2018
- 80. Remarks before Midwest Next-Gen TV Summit, June 28, 2018
- 81. Remarks before Mobile World Congress Americas, September 13, 2018
- 82. Remarks before 2018 NAB Radio Show, September 27, 2018
- 83. Remarks before Americas Spectrum Management Conference, October 2, 2018
- 84. Remarks before Kentucky Broadcasters Association Conference, October 10, 2018
- 85. Remarks before Media Institute Free Speech America Gala, October 25, 2018
- 86. Remarks before Build Smart Cities of Tomorrow Conference, October 30, 2018
- 87. Remarks before NAB State Leadership Conference, February 26, 2019
- 88. Remarks before ACA Annual Summit, March 20, 2019
- 89. Remarks before Wireless Connect 2019, April 4, 2019
- 90. Remarks before Disability Advisory Committee, April 10, 2019
- 91. Remarks before NTCA Legislative & Policy Conference, April 15, 2019
- 92. Remarks before Brooklyn 5G Summit 2019, April 25, 2019
- 93. Remarks before CBRS Alliance, April 30, 2019

- 94. Remarks before Daniel Morgan Graduate School of National Security, May 16, 2019
- 95. Remarks before ACA International Washington Insights Conference, May 16, 2019
- 96. Remarks before Wi-Fi Alliance Annual Member Meeting, June 4, 2019
- 97. Remarks before American Society of Civil Engineers Conference, June 10, 2019
- 98. Remarks before Hudson Institute, June 25, 2019
- 99. Remarks before Arkansas Broadcasters' Annual Conference, July 19, 2019
- 100. Remarks before Pennsylvania NENA, September 12, 2019
- 101. Remarks before OnGo Commercial Service Launch, September 18, 2019
- 102. Remarks before Americas Spectrum Management Conference, September 24, 2019
- 103. Remarks before FCBA Young Lawyers Committee USF Seminar, October 2, 2019
- 104. Remarks before NY State Broadcasters' Broadcast Leadership & Hall of Fame Luncheon, October 18, 2019
- 105. Remarks before Mobile World Congress Americas 2019 Everything Policy Track, October 24, 2019
- 106. Remarks before Massachusetts Broadcasters' Sound Bites 2019 Event, November 15, 2019
- 107. Remarks before Silicon Flatirons' Annual Flagship Conference, February 10, 2020
- 108. Remarks before the America's Public Television Stations' 2020 Public Media Summit, February 25, 2020
- 18. List digital platforms (including social media and other digital content sites) on which you currently or have formerly operated an account, regardless of whether or not the account was held in your name or an alias. Include the name of an "alias" or "handle" you have used on each of the named platforms. Indicate whether the account is active, deleted, or dormant. Include a link to each account if possible.
  - A. Twitter: mikeofcc, active, <u>https://twitter.com/mikeofcc</u>
  - B. Twitter: mp 044, dormant, <u>https://twitter.com/mp044</u>
  - C. Facebook: Mike ORielly, active, https://www.facebook.com/mike.orielly.50

- D. LinkedIn: mikeorielly1@gmail.com, active, https://www.linkedin.com/in/michael-o-rielly-25a8257a/
- E. Next Door: Mike Orielly, Leeway Overlee, active
- 19. Please identify each instance in which you have testified orally or in writing before Congress in a governmental or non-governmental capacity and specify the date and subject matter of each testimony.
  - A. House Energy and Commerce's Subcommittee on Communications and Technology: December 12, 2013; March 19, 2015; April 30, 2015; November 17, 2015; March 22, 2016; July 12, 2016; July 25, 2017; October 25, 2017; July 25, 2018; May 15, 2019; December 5, 2019
  - B. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 18, 2013 (nomination); March 18, 2015; March 02, 2016; September 15, 2016; March 8, 2017; August 16, 2018; June 12, 2019; January 15, 2020
  - C. Senate Appropriations Committee's Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government: March 19, 2015, June 20, 2017

The subject matter of all of these instances was my work on policy matters at the FCC.

20. Given the current mission, major programs, and major operational objectives of the department/agency to which you have been nominated, what in your background or employment experience do you believe affirmatively qualifies you for appointment to the position for which you have been nominated, and why do you wish to serve in that position?

As a current Commissioner, I believe my six-year record provides ample evidence that I take the enormous responsibilities seriously. I am interested in continuing to serve in order to continue my efforts to improve the availability of the communications services and sensible regulation of providers, when necessary, on behalf of the American people.

21. What do you believe are your responsibilities, if confirmed, to ensure that the department/agency has proper management and accounting controls, and what experience do you have in managing a large organization?

Individual FCC Commissioners influence over the management and accounting control processes is limited but important in a number of ways. For instance, Commissioners vote on those selected by the Chairperson for management positions within the appropriate bureaus. Moreover, I have been aggressive and outspoken in seeking changes and accountability within the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), which implements the bulk of our universal service programs.

- 22. What do you believe to be the top three challenges facing the department/agency, and why?
  - A. Access to Broadband By any measure, a portion of Americans are without access to broadband at home. These people tend to reside in more rural, less population dense locations, and/or economically challenged areas. Given our statutory responsibilities and recognizing the importance of having access to broadband, the Commission has an obligation to find ways to get broadband to these families. This has proven to be a monumental task as the Commission faces considerable pressure to switch attention and resources to address broadband speeds, rates and options for those that already have access.
  - B. Midband Spectrum Supply for 5G U.S. wireless providers and potential new users, such as the so-called Internet of Things, need access to midband spectrum in order to offer advanced wireless services, including 5G, domestically and to compete globally. Unfortunately, the most likely midband frequencies are already occupied, meaning that existing users must cease operations, reduce their band use, or relocate to other frequencies. I have spent considerable time, with varying success, over the last three years to free midband spectrum in the 3 GHz range (i.e., C-Band, CBRS, and 3.1 to 3.55 GHz). Given the current state of play, this issue will require considerable time and effort by the Commission to conclude.
  - C. Modernizing Regulations The dynamic communications industry is facing constant pressure to change and modernize its operations and offerings to meet consumer demand. Accordingly, the Commission's regulations must adapt and modernize at the same time so as to not prevent the development of consumer benefits. Continuing to impose obligations and requirements that are no longer necessary wastes

precious time and raises costs, which are passed onto consumers in one form or another.

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## **B. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

1. Describe all financial arrangements, deferred compensation agreements, and other continuing dealings with business associates, clients, or customers. Please include information related to retirement accounts.

None.

2. Do you have any commitments or agreements, formal or informal, to maintain employment, affiliation, or practice with any business, association or other organization during your appointment? If so, please explain.

No.

3. Indicate any investments, obligations, liabilities, or other relationships which could involve potential conflicts of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics has deemed my spouse's employment as a fixed salary position for the District of Columbia to be a potential conflict of interest. I have stipulated, in writing, that for as long as my spouse continues to work for the District of Columbia Government, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know the District of Columbia Government is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate.

4. Describe any business relationship, dealing, or financial transaction which you have had during the last ten years, whether for yourself, on behalf of a client, or acting as an agent, that could in any way constitute or result in a possible conflict of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None.

5. Identify any other potential conflicts of interest, and explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

As applicable, I will continue to discuss any issues involving potential conflict of interest with the FCC's designated agency ethics officials.

6. Describe any activity during the past ten years, including the names of clients represented, in which you have been engaged for the purpose of directly or indirectly influencing the passage, defeat, or modification of any legislation or affecting the administration and execution of law or public policy.

In various roles while a staff member in the U.S. Senate, I engaged directly and indirectly in influencing legislation and affecting the administration and execution of law or public policy on behalf of Members of the U.S. Senate. Moreover, in my current role at the FCC, I have lent support and/or registered concern with various legislative measures under discussion or active consideration in the U.S. Senate and/or U.S. House of Representatives.

## C. LEGAL MATTERS

- 1. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics, professional misconduct, or retaliation by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, the Office of Special Counsel, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If yes:
  - a. Provide the name of agency, association, committee, or group;
  - b. Provide the date the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action was issued or initiated;
  - c. Describe the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action;
  - d. Provide the results of the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action.

In May 2018, the Office of Special Counsel sent me a letter indicating that my comments made while attending and speaking at CPAC 2018 were in violation of the Hatch Act. The warning letter indicated that it declined to pursue disciplinary action. My comments were an inadvertent and unintentional effort to answer the question posed by the moderator.

2. Have you ever been investigated, arrested, charged, or held by any Federal, State, or other law enforcement authority of any Federal, State, county, or municipal entity, other than for a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

3. Have you or any business or nonprofit of which you are or were an officer ever been involved as a party in an administrative agency proceeding, criminal proceeding, or civil litigation? If so, please explain.

No.

4. Have you ever been convicted (including pleas of guilty or *nolo contendere*) of any criminal violation other than a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

5. Have you ever been accused, formally or informally, of sexual harassment or discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, or any other basis? If so, please explain.

No.

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6. Please advise the Committee of any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, which you feel should be disclosed in connection with your nomination.

None.

## D. RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMITTEE

1. Will you ensure that your department/agency complies with deadlines for information set by congressional committees, and that your department/agency endeavors to timely comply with requests for information from individual Members of Congress, including requests from members in the minority?

Yes, to the extent within my ability.

2. Will you ensure that your department/agency does whatever it can to protect congressional witnesses and whistle blowers from reprisal for their testimony and disclosures?

Yes, to the extent within my ability.

3. Will you cooperate in providing the Committee with requested witnesses, including technical experts and career employees, with firsthand knowledge of matters of interest to the Committee?

Yes, to the extent within my ability.

4. Are you willing to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Congress on such occasions as you may be reasonably requested to do so?

Yes.

(Nominee is to include this signed affidavit along with answers to the above questions.)

## F. AFFIDAVIT

 $\underbrace{\text{MUHACL } f. \ o \ \text{Aleugy}}_{\text{signed the foregoing Statement on Biographical and Financial Information}}_{\text{and that the information provided therein is, to the best of his/her}}$ 

Signature of Nominee

Subscribed and sworn before me this / Jday of April, 20 20

Notary Public



## MICHAEL P. O'RIELLY

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### Federal Communications Commission

#### Commissioner – November 2013 to present

- Review, negotiate, revise content, and vote on regulatory items before the full Commission.
- Serve as active lead on select substantive issues for Commission consideration and adoption, including:
  - CBRS spectrum rule reform and authorization
  - Children's Television Rules modernization and improvement
  - Internal Commission operations
  - Modernization and elimination of outdated and unnecessary Commission rules
- Provide active leadership for advancement of U.S. wireless licensed services, including 5G, and unlicensed services through revisions to spectrum allocations.
- Give policy speeches, participate in public forums, maintain active blog, and write newspaper editorials regarding substantive Commission issues.
- Participate in international communications forums to extend U.S. influence and policy objectives, including WRC-15 & WRC-19.
- Participate in monthly Commission Open Meetings and testify before the Committees of jurisdiction in Congress.
- Host *ex parte* meetings and interact with parties that have an interest in communications policy or business before the Commission.
- Manage an office of five paid employees, including three legal advisors, and provide internship opportunities each semester for law school students.

#### Republican Whip Office - U.S. Senate

#### Policy Advisor – January 2013 to November 2013 Deputy Chief of Staff and Policy Director – April 2012 to January 2013 Advisor – July 2010 to April 2012

- Managed and provided policy analysis on an expansive portfolio of issue areas to the Republican Senate Whip operations.
- Helped position Republican Senators on complex policy matters, maintained cohesion, and determined necessary changes in strategy and message.
- Advocated and negotiated on behalf of the Republican Whip's policy positions and goals.
  - Served as lead Senate Republican negotiator for Title VI—Public Safety Communications and Electromagnetic Spectrum Auctions of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-96).

• Established and led coalitions involving Senate leadership, congressional committees, diverse commercial interests, and consumer groups.

#### Republican Policy Committee – U.S. Senate

# Banking, Technology, Transportation, Trade & Commerce Analyst – January 2009 to August 2010

- Provided in-depth policy analysis and counsel to Republican Senators on a broad array of issues, including political and practical implications of pending legislation.
- Crafted policy alternatives, legislative substitutes, and strategic options for the Republican Conference.
- Prepared issue papers and background materials on high profile issues and key votes.
- Communicated the Republican message and positions to industry and press.

#### Former Senator John E. Sununu – U.S. Senate (R-NH)

## Legislative Director – January 2007 to January 2009

Senior Legislative Assistant – January 2003 to January 2007

- Supervised eleven person staff in preparing and executing legislative priorities.
- Responsible for office's Senate floor relations, procedure, and strategy.
- Served as the liaison to staffs of Senate leadership and Senate Commerce Committee.
- Led the Senator's aggressive technology-focused agenda, including:
  - Internet Tax Moratorium expansion and extension
  - Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) legislation
  - Internet video regulatory treatment legislation
  - Unlicensed spectrum in TV White Spaces
  - Wireless spectrum policy reform

#### Committee on Energy and Commerce - U.S. House of Representatives

#### Telecom and E-Commerce Professional Staff Member – August 1998 to January 2003 Telecom Legislative Analyst – January 1995 to August 1998

- Managed agendas for telecommunications and electronic commerce issues.
- Played an active role on all technology bills and issues considered by the Committee during this period, including:
  - The Telecommunications Act of 1996
  - Electronic signatures and records legislation
  - International Satellite Reform
  - Electronic Commerce and Privacy
  - FCC & NTIA Reform and Reauthorization
- Drafted legislation, prepared for legislative hearings and committee mark-ups, and staffed conference committee meetings.

#### Former Congressman Tom Bliley (R-VA) – U.S. House of Representatives Legislative Assistant – January 1994 to January 1995

- Advised Congressman on a wide range of legislative issues important to the Congressional District of Virginia.
- Reviewed pending legislation and amendments for the House Floor and provided vote recommendations.

## **EDUCATION**

University of Rochester, Rochester N.Y.

Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude in political science, May 1993