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About Joseph

Markoski is a senior member of the firm's global Communications Practice Group. During the course of his career, he has been resident in the firm's Washington DC office, as well as the London and Brussels offices, where he led the firm's domestic and international communications practices. Joe has focused on telecommunications law and policy since 1976. He has been recognized by *Euromoney*, *Who's Who in American Law*, *The International Who's Who of Telecommunications Lawyers*, *The International Who's Who of Regulatory Communications Lawyers*, *Legal 500 UK*, *Guide to the World's Leading Technology, Media & Telecommunications Lawyers*, *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Practical Law Company's Which Lawyer? Yearbook*.

Joe's practice is global and includes both private and public sector clients. He represents private sector clients before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), state public utility commissions and national regulatory authorities outside the US in matters involving: the allocation, assignment and use of radio spectrum; licensing; tariffing; interconnection; universal service; satellites; competition law and policy; and the regulation of wireline and wireless communications and other innovative service offerings. He has guided clients with respect to the introduction and deployment of broadband networks and services, as well as the design, manufacture and sale of consumer electronics and telecommunications equipment.

Joe has unique expertise regarding the use of alternative dispute resolution in a regulated environment. In his capacity as chief mediator for the 800 MHz Transition Administrator, Joe developed and oversaw the operation of an innovative alternative dispute resolution program, in which more than 1,900 licensees participated, in connection with the FCC's reconfiguration of the 800 MHz band, the largest reallocation of spectrum in US history. More recently, Joe was called upon by the Relocation Payment Clearinghouse to serve as chief mediator in connection with the FCC's reallocation of the C-band from satellite to terrestrial use. Joe developed, implemented and managed an innovation dispute resolution process that helped achieve the FCC's goal of promptly completing the reallocation of the C-band.

Joe's private sector practice includes the representation of global and national telecommunications operators and broadband service providers seeking to expand their international operations, negotiate interconnection agreements, and establish satellite and terrestrial fixed and mobile telecommunications networks. Joe has similarly assisted multinational enterprises, including manufacturers and financial service providers, establish global private communications systems. He has also assisted clients with respect to the regulatory aspects of mergers and acquisitions and the public and private debt and equity offerings of telecommunications companies around the world.

Joe's public sector practice includes the representation of governments and regulatory authorities with the restructuring of their communications regulatory regimes and the privatization of state-owned telecommunications enterprises in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Caribbean and Latin America. He has also served as counsel to multinational organizations such as the Organization of American States and the European Union in connection with electronic commerce, converging technologies, interconnection and multimedia and information services.

Credentials

Education

- Georgetown University, J.D., 1973
- Georgetown University, B.S.F.S., 1970

Admissions

- District of Columbia, 1973

Memberships & Affiliations

- Member, District of Columbia Bar Association
- Member, Federal Communications Bar Association

Recognitions

- Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2023 for Communications Law
- Recognized by *Euromoney* as Best of the Best, US Telecommunications
- Recommended by *Who's Who Legal 100* as a "highly regarded" individual with extensive experience in the sector which is "highly valued" by clients
- Recognized by *Who's Who in American Law*
- Recognized by *the International Who's Who of Telecommunications Lawyers*
- Recognized by *the International Who's Who of Regulatory Communications Lawyers*
- Recognized by *Legal 500 UK*
- Recognized by the *Guide to the World's Leading Technology, Media & Telecommunications Lawyers*
- Recognized by Practical Law Company's *Which Lawyer? Yearbook*

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Services

- Public Policy
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