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APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERSHIP OF THIRD TERM OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

By this Public Notice, the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) announces the appointment of members for the third two-year term of the Commission's Disability Advisory Committee (DAC or Committee). The DAC is organized under, and operated in accordance with, the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and provides advice and recommendations to the Commission on a wide array of disability matters specified by the Commission.¹

On August 21, 2018, the Commission solicited applications for membership for the DAC's third term, which runs from December 21, 2018, through December 21, 2020.² After careful consideration of the applications and nominations for membership received, the Chairman has selected 37 members for the DAC's third term, as listed below. The membership consists of a diverse mix of organizations representing individuals with disabilities, the communications and video programming industries, the public safety industry, trade associations, academia, researchers, and other stakeholders.

Will Schell, Attorney Advisor, Disability Rights Office (DRO), Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB), will continue to serve as the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of the DAC, and Debra Patkin, Attorney Advisor, DRO, CGB, will serve as the deputy DFO of the DAC.

During the Committee's third term, it is anticipated that the Committee will meet in Washington, DC for a minimum of three (3) one-day plenary meetings per year. In addition, as needed, working groups or subcommittees will be established to facilitate the Committee's work between meetings of the full Committee on accessibility-related matters that include, but are not limited to: communications transitions, telecommunications relay services, emergency access, and video programming accessibility.

The first meeting of the third term of the DAC will be announced at a later date. Meetings of the DAC and any working groups or subcommittees will be fully accessible to individuals with disabilities.

To obtain further information about the Committee, visit www.fcc.gov/dac, or contact: Will Schell, DFO, (202) 418-0767, or DAC@fcc.gov; or Debra Patkin, Deputy DFO, (202) 870-5226.

¹ 5 U.S.C. App. 2. The Commission announced the establishment of the DAC on December 2, 2014. *FCC Announces the Establishment of the Disability Advisory Committee and Solicits Nominations for Membership*, Public Notice, 29 FCC Rcd 14484 (CGB 2014).

² *FCC Announces Anticipated Renewal of Its Disability Advisory Committee and Solicits Applications for Membership*, Public Notice, 33 FCC Rcd 8180 (CGB 2018).

MEMBERS OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
THIRD TERM

Will Schell, Designated Federal Officer
Debra Patkin, Deputy Designated Federal Officer

Co-Chairs:

Brian Scarpelli, Senior Policy Counsel
ACT – the App Association

Isidore Niyongabo, Director of Advocacy and Public Engagement
National Black Deaf Advocates

Individual Name and Title and Organization Represented:

Townsend Davis, Assistant Chief Counsel
ABC, Inc./The Walt Disney Company

Brian Scarpelli, Senior Policy Counsel
Alternate: Joel Thayer, Policy Counsel
ACT – the App Association

Paul W. Schroeder, Vice President, Public Policy and Strategic Initiatives
Alternate: Daniel B. Frye, Director, Public Sector Engagement and Strategy
Aira Tech Corporation

Margaret A. Nygren, Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer
American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Anthony Stephens, Director of Advocacy and Governmental Affairs
Alternate: Claire Stanley, Outreach and Advocacy Specialist
American Council of the Blind

Sarah Malaier, Public Policy and Research Advisor
Alternate: Stephanie Enyart, Chief Public Policy and Research Officer
American Foundation for the Blind

Maria Kirby, Senior Policy Counsel
Alternate: Sarah Herrlinger, Director, Global Accessibility Policy and Initiatives
Apple, Inc.

Linda Vandeloop, Assistant Vice President, External Affairs and Regulatory
Alternate: Susan Mazrui, Director of Public Policy
AT&T

Joel Snyder, President, Audio Description Associates, LLC
Alternate: Bill Parks, President, Dominion Post, Inc.
Audio Description Associates, LLC

Carl Richardson, Member of Boston Disability Commission Advisory Board
City of Boston

Michael Strecker, Vice President of Regulatory and Strategic Policy
Alternate: Rita Beier, Vice President of Operations
ClearCaptions

Thomas Wlodkowski, Vice President, Accessibility and Multicultural Technology and Products
Alternate: Jerry Parkins, Senior Director of Technology and Standards
Alternate: Chris Wendt, Director and Lead Architect for Comcast IP Communications
Comcast

Rachel Nemeth, Director, Regulatory Affairs
Alternate: Rehan Ehsan, Senior Director, Technology and Standards
Consumer Technology Association

Jeff Rosen, General Counsel
Convo Communications, LLC

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Alternate: Mark Stern, Director of Product Development
CSDVRS, LLC

Kara Graves, Director, Regulatory Affairs
Alternate: Matthew Gerst, Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs
CTIA - the Wireless Association

Amita Srinivasan, Secretary
Alternate: Mussie Gabre, President
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Alternate: Lourdes Fiallos, Executive Director, Dicapta Foundation
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Gallaudet University Technology Access Program

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Alternate: Owen Edwards, Senior Accessibility Consultant
Level Access

Rebecca Rosenthal, Telecommunications Resources Program Manager, State of North Carolina Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Alternate: Rochelle Garrow, Telecommunications Access Minnesota Administrator, Minnesota Department of Commerce

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National Association of Broadcasters

Zainab Alkebsi, Policy Counsel

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National Association of the Deaf

Isidore Niyongabo, Director of Advocacy and Public Engagement

National Black Deaf Advocates

Darlene Parker, Director of Steno Captioning and Realtime Relations

Alternate: Beth Nubbe, Senior Vice President for Finance, Administration, and Human Resources

National Captioning Institute, Inc.

Everette Bacon, President of the National Federation of the Blind of Utah

National Federation of the Blind

Brian Trager, Associate Director, National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) Center on Access Technology

Alternate: Gary Behm, Interim Associate Vice President, NTID Academic Affairs

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Alternate: Bruce Peterson, Vice President of Marketing, CaptionCall

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Claude Stout, Executive Director, Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc.

Alternate: Blake Reid, Assistant Clinical Professor, Director, Samuelson-Glushko Technology Law & Policy Clinic, Colorado Law

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Savannah Schaefer, Policy Counsel, Government Affairs

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Telecommunications Industry Association

Shellie Blakeney, Director, Federal Regulatory Affairs Department

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Verizon Communications, Inc.

Heather York, Vice President, Government Affairs
Alternate: Brittany Winland, Director of Marketing Communications
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Ex Officio Federal Government Representatives (Non-Voting Members)

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Alternate: Bruce Bailey, ICT Accessibility Specialist
U.S. Access Board

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Alternate: Johnny Collett, Assistant Secretary
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Gay Jones, Disability Integration Communications Specialist, Office of Disability Integration and
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U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency

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