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Areas of Practice

Government Affairs &
 Public Policy

Media Law

Telecom, Internet & Media

Telecommunications Law

Education

University of Pennsylvania
 Law School, LL.M., 1989

Law School of the National
 University of Athens, Law
 Diploma, excellent, 1988

American College of
 Greece, B.A., highest
 distinction, 1987

Bar & Court Admissions

District of Columbia

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Pantelis Michalopoulos

Pantelis Michalopoulos is a partner with the Washington office of Steptoe & Johnson LLP. His practice covers the entire span of telecommunications law and regulation.

Mr. Michalopoulos has represented telecommunications companies in numerous licensing, rulemaking, and complaint proceedings before the FCC, as well as appellate proceedings. He has also assisted clients in telecommunications matters handled by other agencies such as the Copyright Office. Representing the consumers and the American Libraries Association, he argued in the Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit against the FCC's "broadcast flag" requirement, which would have prevented the internet redistribution of High Definition television content. The court struck this rule down in 2005. He has also represented satellite carriers and private equity funds in a number of highprofile transactions. He regularly represents telecommunications clients in matters of preemption of state regulation.

Mr. Michalopoulos is ranked among the leading telecommunications lawyers by *Chambers USA 2009* and *Legal 500 US 2009*. He has written a number of articles about regulated industries, and has authored the legal thriller "The War of Art" under the pseudonym Philip Blackpeat. He serves as Chairman of the Board of The American Friends, New Acropolis Museum, and previously served on the National Council of the Shakespeare Theatre Company.

Noteworthy

- Ranked for DC: Telecom, Broadcast & Satellite: Regulatory in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers* (2008 - 2011)
- Recommended for Telecommunications: Regulatory Counseling and Compliance Advice by *Legal 500 US* (2007, 2009-2011)

Selected Publications

Doing Business in the United States
 July 14, 2011, *Practical Law Company Cross-Border Doing Business in... Handbook*