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**MATTHEW DELNERO NAMED DEPUTY CHIEF OF WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU**

**Washington, D.C**. – The Wireline Competition Bureau today announced the appointment of Matthew S. DelNero as a Deputy Bureau Chief. Mr. DelNero will focus on issues related to technology transitions and the Open Internet.

“I am very pleased that Matt is joining our team,” said Julie A. Veach, Bureau Chief. “Given his extensive expertise and experience, he will be a tremendous asset to the Bureau as we work on these important and challenging issues.”

Mr. DelNero joins the Bureau from the Washington, D.C. office of Covington & Burling LLP, where he was a partner in the Communications & Media and Privacy & Data Security practice groups. He also had an active pro bono practice and was co-chair of the firm’s LGBT Diversity Subcommittee. *Chambers USA*, *Legal 500 USA*, and other publications have recognized him as a leading telecommunications lawyer.

Mr. DelNero also taught a course on telecommunications law as an Adjunct Professor at George Mason University School of Law in Arlington, Virginia in the fall semester of 2013. He is an active member of the Federal Communications Bar Association, for which he has served as co-chair of multiple committees in recent years.

A native of Rhode Island, Mr. DelNero received his law degree, *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School and his undergraduate degree, *summa cum laude* from Tufts University.

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