

**REMARKS OF  
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This is it. This is *the room where it happens*—the first ever women's summit of the Federal Communications Bar Association. So apologies for borrowing that phrase from Lin-Manuel Miranda, the force behind *Hamilton* and also from Ambassador John Bolton, who used it for the title of his upcoming book—but I think it's totally apt. This is such a terrific gathering of women pushing the boundaries in technology and communications law and policy. Plus, it's a treat to be here with my friend and former colleague Mignon Clyburn, the first Acting Chairwoman of the Federal Communications Commission. Let me also give a shout out to the folks in my office who are here—and that's Jessica Martinez and Kate Black, who you will hear from later.

Now I want to let you in on something that is not really a secret: I'm the only woman serving on the FCC. So I know what it's like to be the only woman in the room. I bet many of you here know what that's like, too. But look around and know you are not alone. There is power in participation. The decisions we make in boardrooms, in court rooms, in laboratories, and legislative halls are stronger when they are the product of diversity.

I know you'll talk about that and so much more today because I have seen the schedule and you are going to cover a lot of ground. But I have one ask for each of you here today. And that's make room for others. By virtue of being here you are already in line for big things. So be a mentor, be a sponsor, be someone who brings someone else along. That's how we grow our ranks, get things done, and multiply rooms just like this one.

Thank you.