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## FCC ANNOUNCES ROBOCALL ENFORCEMENT PARTNERSHIP WITH GEORGIA ATTORNEY GENERAL

Nearly Every State Now Has an MOU with the FCC's Enforcement Bureau

## Agreement Helps Coordination Efforts and Resource Sharing to Defend Consumers

WASHINGTON, March 11, 2024—FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel today announced a formal partnership with Georgia's Office of the Attorney General to protect consumers against robocall scams. To date, forty-nine states have agreed to partnerships with the FCC's Enforcement Bureau. These Memoranda of Understanding between state and federal robocall investigators establish critical information sharing and cooperation structures to investigate spoofing and robocall scam campaigns.

"Unwanted robocalls are a nuisance. To get rid of these junk calls and the scams they foster, we need a hands-on, coordinated approach," **said Chairwoman Rosenworcel**. "Partnerships like this one are an essential part of helping prevent scammers from defrauding and harassing Georgia consumers. I look forward to collaborating on joint consumer protection efforts."

The FCC's Enforcement Bureau now has Memoranda of Understanding with robocall enforcers in forty-nine states, as well as Guam and the District of Columbia. In practice during investigations, both FCC and state investigators seek records, talk to witnesses, interview targets, examine consumer complaints, and take other critical steps to build a record against possible bad actors. These partnerships can provide critical resources for building cases and preventing duplicative efforts in protecting consumers and businesses nationwide.

The FCC offers partner states not only the expertise of its enforcement staff but also important resources to support state investigations. For example, the MOUs may facilitate relationships with other actors in this space, including other federal agencies and robocall blocking companies, and support for and expertise with critical investigative tools including subpoenas and confidential response letters from suspected robocallers.

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