

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER MICHAEL O'RIELLY**

Re: *Completing the Transition to Electronic Filing, Licenses and Authorizations, and Correspondence in the Wireless Radio Services, WT Docket No. 19-212.*

Since joining the Commission in 2013, I have championed efforts to move the Commission from yesterday's burdensome paper processes to today's modern and efficient electronic communications methods. The Commission has implemented many of these ideas, including permitting e-labeling, relying on electronic authorizations and databases instead of paper authorizations and documents, and utilizing e-mail communications rather than snail mail in several instances. I am pleased that the Chairman has circulated this item to seek comment on further implementing these recommendations by converting additional functions in the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's (WTB) Universal Licensing System and related systems from paper to digital formats. By making the vast majority of WTB filings electronic, requiring e-mail addresses on the applicable FCC forms, and eliminating the remaining correspondence sent by mail, the Commission would reduce not only its administrative costs, but also those of its licensees, and enhance the efficiency and transparency of the Commission's processes. I approve.