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Stephen advises clients on a wide array of legal and regulatory issues involving consumer protection, cybersecurity and data protection, and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Federal Trade Commission (FTC) enforcement. He counsels on a wide range of issues including media and telecommunications transactions involving reportable foreign ownership, consumer financial laws and regulations, and data protection laws and regulations.

Representative Matters

- Represents clients before the FCC, FTC, and state attorneys general in enforcement actions and investigations, and counsels clients on compliance with agency policy and rules. Experience with various government investigative stages, including complaint, Civil Investigative Demand, and Letter of Inquiry response.
- Advises financial technology, payment processor, and other clients on a wide range of consumer protection and technology issues. He regularly counsels on compliance with regulatory obligations related to the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Federal Trade Commission Act (FTC Act), Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA), Telemarketing Sales Rule (TSR), Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), federal money transmission laws and regulations, and analogous state laws and regulations.
- Advises media and telecommunications clients on obtaining FCC approval to have reportable foreign ownership in connection with Chapter 11 restructuring and financing transactions.

Practice Areas

Cyber and Privacy Investigations, Incidents & Enforcement
Fintech
Privacy and Cybersecurity Litigation and Investigations
Team Telecom
Telecom, Media & Technology
The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA)

Credentials

Education

J.D., with honors, The George Washington University Law School

B.A., *summa cum laude*, The George Washington University

Law Journals

Editor-in-Chief, *Federal Communications Law Journal*, Vol. 71

Bar and Court Memberships

District of Columbia Bar
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second, Fifth, and District of Columbia Circuits

- Represented Searchlight Capital Partners in its acquisition of a 26.2% stake in Univision Communications.

Professional Experience

- Federal Communications Commission
 - Law Clerk, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (2017)
 - Law Clerk, Wireline Competition Bureau (2017)

Affiliations

- Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA)
 - Transactional Practice Committee Co-Chair
 - National Telecommunications and Technology Moot Court Committee