

Prominent Attorney Diane Holland Joins Wiley's TMT Practice

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Washington, DC – Wiley, a preeminent DC law firm, announced that Diane Holland has joined the firm's Telecom, Media & Technology Practice as a partner. Holland most recently served as Deputy Bureau Chief and Special Advisor for the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), where she managed the agency's regulation and oversight of programs ensuring the availability of affordable high-speed broadband service for all Americans. She also previously was Legal Advisor to FCC Commissioner Geoffrey Starks.

"Diane is an innovator who has worked between the FCC and the private sector for more than two decades," said Wiley Managing Partner Peter D. Shields. "Her deep understanding of the agency, and the industries it regulates, will bring value to clients across the firm."

Holland's tenure at the FCC included serving as Deputy Associate General Counsel and Assistant General Counsel for Administrative Law in the Office of General Counsel, where she was responsible for legal analysis and review of all wireline and broadband-related FCC rulemakings and other matters. She held several other positions at the FCC, including serving as Chief of Staff for the Office of General Counsel and the Wireline Competition Bureau, overseeing the North American Numbering Council, and managing the former Network Services Division.

"Since Wiley's founding, the TMT Practice has had a rich tradition of welcoming lawyers who have excelled in public service, including at the FCC. Diane brings to us a breadth of substantive experience and unique insight into how the agency operates," said TMT Practice co-chair Kathleen A. Kirby. "She is a seasoned lawyer and leader, and we will certainly benefit from having her on our exceptional team."

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With the recent additions of both Diane and Crystal Tully, we have strategically been growing the practice to best serve our clients."

Holland also served as Senior Advisor for Technology and Telecom for The National Urban League's Washington Bureau, where she analyzed mission-critical issues and developed strategic advocacy campaigns. She also was the Vice President, Law & Policy for USTelecom – The Broadband Association. In this role, she provided legal and public policy guidance, representing the broadband industry and serving as lead counsel for key regulatory proceedings including open internet/net neutrality. She currently is serving as President of FCBA – the Tech Bar.

"I've known the Wiley team for many years, and I'm excited to be joining a firm that is so well-known and respected for its TMT work globally," said Holland. "I look forward to helping our clients expand and innovate while navigating any evolving regulatory and litigation challenges."

Holland earned her J.D. from Howard University School of Law, her B.S. from the University of Maryland, and her LL.M from Georgetown University School of Law.