



**MICHAEL LAZARUS**

## MANAGING MEMBER

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Michael is one of the founding members of TLP, and currently is the Managing Member of the Firm. He advises domestic and international clients in the telecommunications industry on transactional and regulatory matters before the Federal Communications Commission and state and local regulatory bodies. He handles a wide range of legal matters for telecommunications companies, including general counseling on federal regulatory issues, regulatory policy advocacy at the FCC and on Capitol Hill, spectrum auction advice, communications-related litigation before the FCC, federal courts, state courts and state public utility commissions, international telecommunications ventures, and a wide range of other transactions including mergers and acquisitions, equipment contracts, debt and equity placements, intercarrier arrangements and interconnection agreements.

Michael specializes in the representation of rural, small and medium-sized carriers against the dominance of larger carriers. While knowledgeable in all areas of telecommunications, he has a particular expertise in the wireless industry and the emergence of new technologies. He has vast experience negotiating and documentation roaming agreements against the largest wireless carriers. He is often interviewed about his views on the telecommunications industry, and has been quoted extensively in Law360, Communications Daily and other notable telecommunications news outlets.

### EDUCATION

University of Virginia School of Law, J.D., 2002

Duke University, B.A., Magna Cum Laude, Distinction in Political Science, 1999

### PRIOR EXPERIENCE

Paul Hastings LLP, 2006 - 2011

Crowell and Moring, 2002 – 2006

### FUN FACT

Mike has performed as lead singer multiple times at the Gifts for the Homeless “Battle of the Law Firm Bands,” with the band “One for the Governor.”

### RECENT, REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Representation of the largest telecommunications provider in Alaska on a broad array of regulatory and corporate issues, including spectrum acquisition and management, infrastructure contracts, spectrum auctions, backhaul transactions, resale agreements, E-911,
- VoIP, construction requirements, number porting and FCC rules compliance.
- Primary counsel to a critically important wireless trade association, which represents competitive wireless carriers on numerous high-profile regulatory policy issues pending before the FCC, including spectrum-related issues, privacy, outage, roaming and the Open Internet proceeding.

Represents and provides guidance to numerous carriers with regard to spectrum band proceedings over 3 GHz before the FCC.

### PRACTICE ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia Bar
- Virginia Bar