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Former Federal Communications Official to Lead CUA's Institute for Communications Law Studies

Donna Coleman Gregg Named Director



Washington, D.C. – Donna Coleman Gregg, who served as senior policy adviser within the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and as former chief of the Federal Communications Commission's Media Bureau, has been appointed director of the Columbus School of Law's Institute for Communications Law Studies, effective Aug. 1, 2010.

Now in its 25th year, the institute specializes in training select students in an area of law at the heart of 21st century global society — telecommunications and electronic mass media. Many prominent communications attorneys in both government and the private sector are numbered among its graduates.

In announcing the appointment, Dean Veryl V. Miles said, "During her two years with the law school as both a scholar-in-residence and, most recently, as a visiting associate professor, Professor Gregg has proven herself to be an exceptional educator and an inspiration to the students and alumni of one of the 'crown jewels' of the law school."

"I am confident that she will lead our communications law studies program to new heights, and help to train the next generation of leaders in this vitally important area of the law," said Miles.

Gregg brings an outstanding record of communications policy and regulatory experience to the directorship. In her former White House policy role, she advised the United States ambassador to the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference about necessary technological updates within the regulatory framework for managing international use of radio frequency spectrum for systems and services such as future generation wireless broadband, satellite communications, military radars and cell phones.

As FCC Media Bureau chief from 2005 to 2007, Gregg oversaw development of policy recommendations and administration of U.S. licensing programs relating to electronic media, including cable television, broadcast television and radio. Prior to joining the FCC, she was vice president of legal and regulatory affairs and general counsel of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Gregg was a partner in Wiley, Rein and Fielding's communications practice, where she advised clients on a wide range of media and telecommunications business and regulatory issues.

A member of the American Law Institute, she is also a former trustee of the Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation. Gregg is the recipient of the 2006 "Touchstones of Leadership Award for Public Service" from the Women in Cable Telecommunications. From 2002 to 2005, she served on the board of directors of the North American Broadcasters Association.

Gregg is a graduate of Duke University School of Law, has been an adjunct professor on its faculty, and is an honorary life member of its board of visitors. She received her bachelor's degree with high distinction from the University of Michigan and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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