

**INTRODUCTION
FCC CHAIRMAN BILL KENNARD
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS
COLLEGE AND LAW SCHOOL
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**IT IS A DISTINCT PLEASURE FOR ME TO INTRODUCE FCC
CHAIRMAN BILL KENNARD TO YOU.**

**I KNOW HIM FOR HIS DILIGENT WORK ETHIC AND HIS
IMPRESSIVE CREDENTIALS FOR CHAIRMANSHIP.....HE IS
A BRILLIANT LAWYER, UNIVERSALLY RESPECTED FOR HIS
COMMUNICATIONS EXPERTISE, EFFICIENT,
ADMINISTRATIVE CAPABILITIES AND FOR BEING A FAIR
MINDED THOUGHTFUL HUMAN BEING.**

**FOR EXAMPLE, IT WAS CHARACTERISTICALLY
THOUGHTFUL OF BILL TO TAKE TIME FROM THE MOST
HECTIC WORK SCHEDULE EVER UNDERTAKEN BY A
NEWLY-APPOINTED CHAIRMAN TO COME TO MICHIGAN
STATE UNIVERSITY TODAY AND ADD AN *OFFICIAL*
PRESTIGIOUS AMBIANCE TO MY NEW FOUND MSU
SERVICES.**

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AND STUDENTS AND FACULTY TAKE NOTE: CHAIRMAN KENNARD GRADUATED PHI BETA KAPPA FROM STANFORD UNIVERSITY AND RECEIVED HIS LAW DEGREE FROM THE PRESTIGIOUS YALE LAW SCHOOL.

KENNARD CAME TO THE FCC CHAIRMANSHIP AFTER THREE-AND-ONE-HALF YEARS AND THE AGENCY'S GENERAL COUNSEL AND A CAREER AS A PRACTICING ATTORNEY INVOLVED IN A BROAD RANGE OF COMMUNICATION ISSUES.

AS FCC GENERAL COUNSEL, KENNARD SERVED AS THE COMMISSION'S PRINCIPAL LEGAL ADVISOR AND REPRESENTED THE COMMISSION IN COURT. HE SERVED AS GENERAL COUNSEL DURING A PARTICULARLY CHALLENGING TIME, AS THE FCC BEGAN ITS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

BEFORE JOINING THE FCC, KENNARD WAS A PARTNER AND MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WASHINGTON, DC, LAW FIRM OF VERNER, LIPFERT, BERNARD, MCPHERSON AND HAND. AT VERNER, LIPFERT,

HE SPECIALIZED IN COMMUNICATIONS LAW, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON REGULATORY AND TRANSACTIONAL MATTERS FOR COMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES.

BEFORE ENTERING PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE, KENNARD SERVED AS ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL AND AS LEGAL FELLOW FOR THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS. HE HAS WRITTEN SEVERAL ARTICLES ON COMMUNICATIONS LAW TOPICS.

SO, I'M REALLY PLEASED TO PRESENT THE WELL SEASONED, DISTINGUISHED COMMUNICATIONS LEADER, A LEGAL RAINMAKER, A SUPERBLY QUALIFIED FCC CHAIRMAN AND MY THOUGHTFUL VALUED FRIEND, CHAIRMAN BILL KENNARD.

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COMMISSIONER JAMES H. QUELLO

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November 16, 1998

Chairman William E. Kennard
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

Dear Bill:

After all your gracious comments about me, I thought you should have a written copy of my ad lib introduction.

Thanks for your virtuoso performance at Michigan State. Your replies to the many perceptive questions were right on target and gracious.

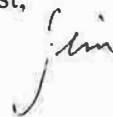
In fact, the MSU president, communications dean and others agree with me that with your communications expertise and naturally ingratiating manner you could be elected to the senate.

So carefully select your state at some convenient future time. Take a slight but noticeable turn to the center and I'll be a campaign manager (unless the merciful Lord calls me to fill a vacancy in the Catholic purgatory). Anyway, I'd like to be able to brag "Hell, I knew Senator Kennard of the communications committee way back when."

I'll let you rest. Then I'll call for lunch when we could pleasantly discuss or even pleasantly disagree over a more centrist political approach.

In the meantime, I'm glad to have you as a thoughtful, legally brilliant friend.

Best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jim", written in dark ink.

bcc: Dean Spaniolo (Confidential)
Richard E. Wiley (Confidential)
Eddie Fritts (Confidential)