

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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**PROFESSION:** Attorney & Consultant

### **EDUCATION:**

- UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL J.D.  
(Philadelphia, PA 1979)  
Editor, *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* (1977 - 78); selected based on first year grades;  
Comment Editor, Member of Editorial Board, *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* (1978 – 79)
- NEW COLLEGE, B.A. in Public Policy (Sarasota, FL 1975)

### **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:**

- American Bar Association
- Admitted to the Virginia State Bar & the District of Columbia Bar

### **KEY QUALIFICATIONS:**

Mr. Blakeley received a B.A. from New College in Sarasota, Florida (1975) and a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School (1979). His law course of study included classes in administrative law, regulated industries, international law and antitrust law. Mr. Blakeley served as a member of the Board of Editors and a Comment Editor on the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* from 1978-79. Following graduation from law school, Mr. Blakeley served for one year as a law clerk to Judge Max Rosenn on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Mr. Blakeley has worked in private legal practice for over twenty-five years, including for some of the premier law firms in the United States. These have included, for example, Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering in Washington, D.C., which Mr. Blakeley joined as an associate after leaving his judicial clerkship, and Sidley & Austin, where Mr. Blakeley was a partner from 1990 to 1994.

Throughout this time, Mr. Blakeley has focused on a broad range of legal, policy, legislative, and regulatory issues associated with telecommunications (including the Internet), broadcasting, intellectual property and technology. Mr. Blakeley has worked on issues concerning television and radio broadcasting (both in the U.S. and elsewhere), wireless communication (cellular, PCS, and paging), local and long-distance wireline communications (including international communications between the U.S. and other countries), Internet (including Voice Over Internet Protocol – “VOIP”), e-commerce, e-government, cybercrime, satellites and earth stations, microwave, cable television, and regulated equipment approval. He has advised providers and users of communications, as well as governmental agencies and NGOs on a broad range of legal and policy issues concerning telecommunications and the Internet, as well as on intellectual property issues, including copyright and trademark matters (creation, protection, enforcement, licensing, and compliance with international standards and best practices), e-commerce and cybercrime/cybersecurity matters. His practice also includes representation of companies before the U.S. Federal Communications Commission, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the U.S. Copyright Office, state regulatory authorities and federal and state courts.

In 1998, Mr. Blakeley helped found the Enterprise Law Group LLC. Subsequently, in January 2000, he founded the Alliance Law Group LLC, a successor to the Enterprise Law Group. Alliance Law Group is focused on providing legal and policy advice on matters concerning technology. These include telecommunications, Internet, e-government and e-commerce, and Intellectual Property matters.

Mr. Blakeley’s practice has a strong international component, particularly in the Middle East, where he has been active since 1995, originally on a broadcasting related project for the Palestinian Authority. His work internationally has involved policy level consulting for both governmental agencies and NGOs on a broad range of issues concerning telecommunications reform, liberalization and privatization, Intellectual Property Rights enforcement and compliance (including compliance with TRIPS and other international agreements), Internet, cybersecurity, e-commerce and e-government, compliance and conformity with international standards and best practices, the relationship of these issues to economic development, and recommendations for and drafting of new laws or amendments to existing laws, as well as representation of commercial clients.

As part of Mr. Blakeley’s international work, he has been part of several consulting teams and has headed two consulting teams that conducted major research/consulting projects for governmental agencies. As part of those projects, he has written and edited extensive documents and also has worked closely with and advised senior policymakers and government officials. He has also advised U.S. companies on matters relating to their overseas operations and has represented foreign companies with respect to their activities in the U.S. In that capacity, he has worked with and advised senior executives at those companies.

Mr. Blakeley also has experience in litigation matters. He has briefed and argued cases in the U.S. Courts of Appeals and has served as co-counsel on *amicus curiae* briefs before the U.S. Supreme Court. He also has served as counsel and co-counsel in trial court litigation and in administrative hearings.

In Martindale-Hubbell's peer review rating, Mr. Blakeley is rated "AV" which is the highest possible ranking.

#### **EMPLOYMENT RECORD:**

**1998 – Present: ALLIANCE LAW GROUP LLC (and its predecessor, Enterprise Law Group LLC) – Tyson's Corner, VA.**

*Founder & Managing Member.* Legal practice focuses on Telecommunications, Internet (e-commerce, e-government, cybersecurity, etc.), and Intellectual Property Law (creation, protection, licensing, enforcement, and compliance with international standards) in the U.S. and internationally.

**1996-1998: GORDON & GLICKSON, P.C. – Washington, D.C.**

*Partner.* Legal practice focused on Telecommunications, Broadcast, and Internet Law, including advice and representation on trademark and copyright matters, content creation, and protection.

**1994-1996: POWELL, GOLDSTEIN, FRAZER & MURPHY – Washington, D.C.**

*Partner.* Legal practice focused on telecommunications and broadcast issues.

**1990-1994: SIDLEY & AUSTIN — Washington, D.C.**

*Partner.* Legal practice focused on telecommunications and broadcast issues (including HDTV).

**1987-1990: SCHNADER, HARRISON, SEGAL & LEWIS – Washington, D.C.**

*Partner.* Legal practice focused on telecommunications (including wireless & electronic equipment) and broadcast issues.

**1987-1989: COLUMBUS SCHOOL OF LAW  
CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA – Washington, D.C.**

*Adjunct Professor of Law.* Taught course entitled "New Technologies and the Law" which focused on development of new telecommunications technologies and selection & application of the appropriate legal regulatory model.

**1983-1986: SCHNADER, HARRISON, SEGAL & LEWIS – Washington, D.C.**

*Associate.* Legal practice focused on telecommunications, broadcasting and wireless issues.

**1980-1983: WILMER, CUTLER & PICKERING – Washington, D.C.**

*Associate.* Legal practice focused on wireless and broadcast communications and antitrust.

**1979-1980: HON. MAX ROSENN, JUDGE  
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT  
Wilkes-Barre, PA.**

*Law Clerk.* Reviewed legal briefs, prepared bench memoranda, and helped research and draft judicial opinions.

**1975-1976: FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY AFFAIRS  
Tallahassee, FL.**

*Legislative Analyst.* Reviewed and prepared proposed legislation dealing with Florida local governments and related issues such as public utilities.

**1974: FLORIDA SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS  
Tallahassee, FL.**

*Legislative Research Assistant.* Reviewed and analyzed proposed legislation; prepared proposed legislation.

**SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE:**

**Virginia, United States (2017) Construction Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley successfully represented a client with a claim for defective construction in a 3-day jury trial.

**Virginia, United States (2016 – 2017) Appellate Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley represented a client on Petitions for Appeal in the Virginia Supreme Court And in briefing and arguing a case before the Virginia Court of Appeals.

**Virginia, United States (2016 – 2017) Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley represented a client before administrative agencies and in trial court with respect to constitutional claims local government inspections.

**United States (2016 – 2017) Federal Communications Commission (FCC)  
Rulemaking**

Mr. Blakeley represented a state department of transportation in an FCC proceeding concerning wireless telecommunications infrastructure.

**United States (2015 – 2017) U.S. and State Regulations**

Mr. Blakeley advised an international electronics company on regulatory developments in the U.S. concerning drones and driverless cars.

**United States (2012 - 2015) IT Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley represented an off-shore American-owned company in a litigation matter involving the provision of IT equipment and services.

### **United States (2014) FCC Equipment Testing and Approval**

Mr. Blakeley advised a specialized client with respect to certain FCC requirements concerning the testing and approval of electronic equipment.

### **United States (2014 - present) Regulatory Monitoring**

Mr. Blakeley monitors regulatory developments at the FCC and other federal and state regulatory and legislative bodies on behalf of a technology-related company.

### **United States (2013 - present) Land Use**

Mr. Blakeley represents private individuals and community organizations in litigation arising from local zoning and land use matters.

### **United States (2013 - present) Trademark**

Mr. Blakeley represents a U.S. company in pursuing its claims for trademark infringement, including possible litigation.

### **United States (2012 – 2013) Copyright**

Mr. Blakeley represented the holder of an exclusive copyright license with respect to copyright issues, including possible infringement of its copyright.

### **Jordan (2011 - 2012) – ICT Policy**

Mr. Blakeley led a team that advised the Ministry of Information and Communications Technology on the revision of the Policy Statement of the Jordanian Government on the ICT & Postal Sectors. The ICT Policy addressed such factors as media convergence and cloud computing. Mr. Blakeley conducted public stakeholder meetings about the proposed Policy Statement and also led the team in analyzing comments submitted as part of a public consultation. The Jordanian Council of Ministers has adopted and approved the revised Policy Statement recommended by the Ministry and prepared by the ALG team.

### **Jordan (2011 - 2014) – Telecommunications Law & ICT**

In this project, funded by the Jordanian government and on behalf of the Jordanian Ministry of Information and Communications Technology, Alliance Law Group conducted a study of international best practices in the area of media convergence and recommended appropriate revisions to the Jordanian Telecommunications Law. Stakeholder comments submitted in a public consultation were reviewed and evaluated as part of this project.

### **Virginia, United States (2011) – Land Use/Zoning Law**

Mr. Blakeley successfully represented a private landowner in a legal action challenging the action of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors in granting a “special exception” for a residential lot width waiver. The Fairfax County Circuit Court ruled that the Board had violated state law in adopting the ordinance authorizing such special exceptions and that the ordinance, and the Board’s grant of a special exception pursuant to the ordinance, was invalid. This decision is believed to be the first such ruling on this issue in Virginia.

### **Ramallah, West Bank (2011) – E-Commerce, Intellectual Property & Business Processes**

In this USAID-funded Investment Climate Improvement (ICI) project, Mr. Blakeley worked with the Ministry of National Economy and the Palestinian Ministry of Culture to conduct industry roundtables and to recommend revisions to the Palestinian intellectual property laws to bring them into compliance with the TRIPS Agreement and with other international best practices. He also assisted the Palestinian Ministries of National Economy (MONE) and Telecommunications and Information Technology (MTIT) in revising the legal structure for the e-commerce system in the Palestinian Territories so as to bring it into conformity with international best practices. Among other things, this included providing input on policy issues and assistance in drafting provisions of a proposed e-transactions law as well as related laws on such issues as cybercrime and data privacy. In addition, he worked with the MONE to streamline business registration and regulation in the West Bank to improve its international competitiveness ranking.

### **United States (2010 – 2011) – International Telecom Acquisition**

Mr. Blakeley represented a U.S. company with respect to its possible acquisition of an international telecommunications company. Mr. Blakeley assisted in the negotiations and preparation of the acquisition agreement.

### **United States (2010 - present) – Global Information Technology Law**

Together with Jeff Matsuura, Mr. Blakeley co-authored a book on Information and Communications Technology in 23 countries, including countries in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, South America, Asia, and Eurasia. This book, now in its sixth edition, was first published in late 2010 by West Publishing, a division of Thomson Reuters. It covers telecommunications, Internet, intellectual property and related issues in those countries. An annual update is published, which updates the information about the countries already covered.

### **United States (2010) – Intellectual Property Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley advised a company on issues in a lawsuit involving the licensing of intellectual property.

### **Azerbaijan (2010) Telecommunications**

As part of the USAID-funded Azerbaijan Trade and Competitiveness (ACT) Project, Mr. Blakeley conducted an analysis of Azerbaijani law and practices with respect to their compliance with the Reference Paper on Basic Telecommunications Services of the World Trade Organization (WTO).

### **Azerbaijan (2009 – 2011) E-commerce (including e-signatures, e-documents, privacy, cybercrime, taxation of e-commerce, and creation of a Computer Emergency Response Team)**

As part of the USAID-funded Azerbaijan Trade and Investment Reform Program (TIRSP) and the Azerbaijan Trade and Competitiveness (ACT) Project, Mr. Blakeley assisted several ministries in the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan in

preparing implementing regulations and bylaws for its existing e-commerce and e-signature laws. He also provided advice on possible revisions of those laws consistent with international best practice as well as on the preparation of new laws on data privacy and cybercrime. In addition, working with permanent staff of the project, he helped produce a “Parliament –ready” draft of proposed revisions of the e-commerce law and related laws for consideration by the Office of the President of Azerbaijan. Moreover, he prepared draft legislation and regulations for the creation of a Computer Emergency Response Team in Azerbaijan. In addition, he prepared an analysis of international best practices concerning the taxation of e-commerce transactions. As part of this project, he conducted detailed meetings with the relevant ministries, held several public roundtables and seminars with interested stakeholders (including NGOs and private sector companies) and, in Baku and elsewhere in the country, and gave public presentations about the importance of e-commerce, international best practices, and the legal structure for e-commerce in Azerbaijan.

**U.S. (2009 - present) Federal Communications Commission (FCC)**

Mr. Blakeley represents U.S. companies on issues before the FCC, including with respect to FCC enforcement actions.

**U.S. (2009 - 2010) Trademark**

Mr. Blakeley represented a U.S. company in pursuing claims for trademark infringement against other U.S. companies.

**U.S. (2009) Copyright**

Mr. Blakeley represented a U.S. company in pursuing claims for copyright infringement with respect to the unauthorized distribution of its copyrighted music over the Internet.

**U.S. (2008) New Venture**

Mr. Blakeley advised a U.S.-based startup company on issues relating to corporate organization, intellectual property, and financing.

**Qatar (2008) Cybercrime**

Mr. Blakeley advised Q-CERT and other organizations in Qatar on issues concerning cybercrime and cybersecurity policies and laws.

**U.S. & the Middle East (2008) Commercial Advice**

Mr. Blakeley worked with a U.S.-based company to advise it concerning its possible operation in the Middle East.

**U.S. & Lebanon (2007 – 2010) Commercial Negotiations & Advice**

Mr. Blakeley advised a Lebanese company in negotiations with U.S. companies on matters relating to its commercial operations.

### **United States (2007 – 2009) Commercial Advice & Assistance on Financing**

Mr. Blakeley advised a start-up company in the energy field on legal issues relating to its new venture, including assisting in identifying possible sources of financing.

### **Lebanon (2007 - 2010) Negotiations**

Mr. Blakeley represented an American company in negotiations with the Government of Lebanon to resolve an outstanding matter involving the award of a telecommunications license.

### **United States (2006 – 2007) Intellectual Property**

Mr. Blakeley drafted a list of IPR indicators for the USAID-funded Seldon Project. The Seldon Project provides a comprehensive assessment methodology for 11 traditional areas of commercial law. Under this USAID-funded project, a list of various indicators (including IPR) was prepared for use in evaluating the laws and legal institutions in various developing countries.

### **United States (2006 – 2008) Broadcast Towers**

Mr. Blakeley assisted a local government in negotiating the lease of its property for the construction and operation of a commercial broadcast tower.

### **Jordan (2006 - 2007) Ministry of Information & Communications Technology**

Mr. Blakeley served as legal advisor and team leader on a consulting team that assisted the Jordanian Ministry of Information and Communications Technology in revising and updating its statement of ICT and Postal Policy. This included comprehensive recommendations with respect to telecommunications, intellectual property, e-commerce, tax and other issues. As part of that project, Mr. Blakeley prepared proposed changes in the Jordanian laws dealing with telecommunications, broadcasting, e-commerce, and related fields.

### **United States (2006) Copyright**

Mr. Blakeley represented a U.S. Internet-based company seeking to protect its copyrighted material against alleged infringement by another company.

### **United States (2005) Intellectual Property**

Mr. Blakeley advised a U.S. company on issues concerning its intellectual property rights with respect to the sale of the company.

### **Azerbaijan (2005 – 2010) Telecommunications Reform**

Mr. Blakeley served as legal advisor and project manager on a team of consultants advising the Azerbaijan Ministry of Information and Communications Technology (MCIT) on a variety of issues relating to telecommunications reform. Issues covered in the study and report included institutional capacity building for the MCIT, pricing and interconnection issues, and related legal and policy matters, including recommendations for revisions in telecommunications and related laws.

### **U.S. & India (2005) Outsourcing**

Mr. Blakeley advised a U.S. - based company on a variety of issues relating to the outsourcing of certain services to one or more companies located in India.

### **United States (2004 – 2005) VOIP**

Mr. Blakeley advised a U.S.-based company on regulatory issues concerning the provision of Voice Over Internet Protocol services.

### **Lebanon & U.S. (2004 – 2008) Association for the Development of Law & Informatics in Lebanon**

In October, 2004, at a ceremony at the National Press Club in Beirut the Association for the Development of Law & Informatics in Lebanon and Alliance Law Group LLC signed a Mutual Cooperation Agreement, witnessed by then U.S. Ambassador Jeffrey Feltman, pursuant to which they agreed to work together on matters of mutual interest, including telecommunications reform and liberalization, enforcement of intellectual property rights, and use of technology by lawyers and judges in Lebanon and the Middle East. Pursuant to that Agreement, the two groups organized a visit to the U.S. in September 2005 by a delegation of prominent Lebanese lawyers and judges to discuss legal and policy issues related to technology. The two organizations continue to discuss follow-up steps to be undertaken both in the U.S. and Lebanon on issues such as intellectual property rights, telecom reform, and cybercrime.

### **Macedonia (2004) Ministry of Culture (WTO Compliance Project)**

In this USAID-funded project, Mr. Blakeley advised the Ministry on the compliance of the Macedonian Copyright Law with WTO Standards/TRIPS Agreement.

### **Lebanon (2004) Ministry of Economy & Trade (WTO Accession Project)**

In this USAID-funded project, Mr. Blakeley advised the Ministry concerning the compliance of the Lebanese Copyright Law with WTO standards/TRIPS Agreement and suggested appropriate changes to the Lebanese law. He participated in IPR Week (Ministry of Economy & Trade and U.S. Embassy) designed to highlight issues concerning Intellectual Property Laws and compliance with those requirements and delivered public presentations concerning the TRIPS requirements as they apply to copyright and trademark issues.

### **Jordan & U.S. (2004) Middle East Education Initiative**

Mr. Blakeley advised a client on issues relating to possible participation in Jordan Education Initiative and concerning new Internet channel providing female role models for Middle Eastern girls and young women (funded by U.S. Dept. of State MEPI Program).

### **United States (2003 – 2004) Wireless Airborne Detection**

Mr. Blakeley advised a client on issues relating to FCC review and approval of new wireless airborne sensing device, including possible allocation of new radio frequency spectrum.

### **Jordan (2003 - 2004) Ministry of Information & Communications Technology (MoICT)**

Mr. Blakeley served as the legal advisor on a consulting project involving extensive technical assistance to the Ministry of Information and Communications Technology in the formulation of a policy strategy toward the full liberalization of the Telecommunications Sector in Jordan. More specifically, the plan included recommendations about the policy and regulatory framework for the effective introduction of competition in the telecom markets, including the prospective licensing of competitive network operators, and a definition of appropriate interfaces for competitive service providers. Specific tasks carried out included the assessment of the legal and regulatory environment, preparation of draft legislation and amendments to existing laws, demand and market studies, evaluation of technologies, economic analysis and financial models, and specification of an implementation plan. The plan was designed to assist the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (TRC) in the steps required to ensure a competitive regime for fixed line telecom services.

### **Lebanon (2002) Ministry of Economy & Trade**

Mr. Blakeley served as the legal consultant on intellectual property issues to this USAID-funded project on WTO accession. He conducted meetings and private and public seminars for Ministry officials and Lebanese lawyers and judges on intellectual property matters, particularly copyright issues. His specific focus was on international best practices concerning copyright legislation and effective enforcement mechanisms.

### **United States (2002) Commercial Online Company**

Mr. Blakeley advised an Internet-based company on a variety of legal issues related to its e-commerce operations.

### **United States (2001 – 2005) Telecommunications Towers**

Mr. Blakeley advised an owner of telecommunications towers on miscellaneous legal issues relating to the operation, acquisition and sale of those towers.

### **United Kingdom (2001 - 2002) Intellectual Property**

Mr. Blakeley advised a U.K. business on issues related to Intellectual Property and contract matters concerning the marketing of its products in the United States.

### **Oman (2001) E-Government**

Mr. Blakeley provided advice to several Omani governmental entities concerning e- government issues, including the relationship of telecommunications liberalization and privatization.

### **United States (2000 – present) Trademark & Copyright**

Mr. Blakeley has advised a number of U.S companies, including several operating on the Internet, on issues relating to the creation, registration, protection and licensing of their intellectual property.

### **United States (2000 - 2002) Wireless Ultra-Wideband**

Mr. Blakeley advised two companies, one U.S.-based, the other a large multinational company, on regulatory issues concerning the development and approval of devices using Ultra-wideband technology, a new wireless technology that was then newly approved by the Federal Communications Commission.

### **Lebanon (2000 – 2001) Telecommunications Reform & E-Government**

Working in conjunction with the U.S. Embassy in Beirut, Mr. Blakeley provided advice to various governmental entities and NGOs in Lebanon concerning telecommunications privatization and liberalization, as well as on issues concerning e-government and technology development, including the possible development of a special economic zone to foster the development of new technologies. Issues addressed included the impact of government provided telecommunications services on telecommunications and Internet reform and development and the relationship between these issues and economic development. In addition, he has assisted Lebanese governmental agencies and NGOs on the use of new technologies by lawyers and the judicial system.

### **Ramallah, West Bank (2000) Telecommunications & Internet Reform**

Under the auspices of the Palestinian Information Technology Association (PITA) and the U.S. Consulate in East Jerusalem, Mr. Blakeley conducted a series of public and private meetings with the Palestinian Ministry of Communications, the Palestinian Telephone Company (“Patel”), and others concerning telecommunications and Internet reform. Issues concerning regulation of Country Top Level Domains (CTLDs) also were discussed.

### **United States (2000 - 2001) Wireless Broadband Provider**

Mr. Blakeley represented a large, international company, in its effort to obtain new wireless radio frequency spectrum in the United States. The company intended to use this spectrum to provide high-speed wireless Internet connectivity to various handheld devices, such as those based on the Palm Operating System. The efforts were focused on the Federal Communications Commission in the U.S. but also required knowledge of international rules and regulations governing spectrum allocation and use.

### **United States (2000 - present) Electronic Equipment**

Mr. Blakeley has advised a number of companies on issues relating to the testing and approval of their products by the Federal Communications Commission and other regulatory agencies.

### **United States (1999 – 2007) Online Education Provider**

Mr. Blakeley represented a provider of on-line technology training for students and teachers. Mr. Blakeley served as its outside general counsel and provided advice on a broad range of corporate, technology, and other issues. This included contract, intellectual property, e-commerce, and related legal issues.

### **United States (1999) Internet Defamation**

Mr. Blakeley served as co-counsel for the plaintiff in this trial court litigation, which resulted in successfully removing the defamatory language from an Internet web site.

### **United States (1998 - 1999) Mobile Telephones**

Mr. Blakeley advised a large multinational corporation on regulatory, safety and health issues concerning the manufacture and sale of its wireless telephones.

### **Republic of Ireland (1998) Call Center**

On behalf of an offshore client, Mr. Blakeley helped establish a call center in Ireland. Mr. Blakeley worked with national and local government authorities in Ireland to identify a suitable location for the call center. As part of that effort, he negotiated with the Irish authorities concerning the possible location of the facility in the Shannon Free Zone, a free trade zone adjacent to Shannon International Airport. He also worked with appropriate governmental agencies to arrange government assistance for the call center. In addition, he negotiated the agreements necessary to establish the center, including the lease, tax concessions, government subsidies, and telecommunications agreements.

### **United States (1997 - 1998) Competing Local Exchange Carrier (“CLEC”)**

Mr. Blakeley represented a CLEC before the FCC and various state Public Service Commissions in its efforts to obtain the necessary authorizations to become an approved telecommunications carrier. This included advising the company on negotiations with incumbent Bell Operating Companies and analyzing the meaning and application of relevant provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

### **United States (1997-1998) Voice Over the Internet**

Mr. Blakeley advised a private business in the U.S. on various domestic and international issues concerning regulation of voice services over the Internet. These included questions as to whether such services were, or should be, regulated as common carrier services both in the U.S. and in other countries.

### **United States (1997 – 1998) Telecommunications Services Contracts**

Mr. Blakeley represented a major U.S. manufacturing company on the renegotiation of its contracts for the provision of long-distance voice and data communications services.

### **United States (1997 – 1998) Intellectual Property Rights**

Mr. Blakeley advised several U.S. companies on issues relating to protection of their intellectual property rights.

### **Jamaica (1997) Voice Over the Internet**

Mr. Blakeley advised a Jamaican company about the use of packetized voice

communications over the Internet to reduce its international long-distance communications charges. He also advised the company on other telecom issues.

#### **United States & Morocco (1997) Asilah Forum Foundation**

Mr. Blakeley worked with the then Moroccan Ambassador to the U.S., Hon. Mohamed Benaissa (subsequently Foreign Minister), to establish the Asilah Forum Foundation, a nonprofit entity intended to foster U.S.-Arab relations. He also participated in planning for and attended the first conference of the Foundation in Morocco.

#### **United States (1997) Appellate Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley served as lead counsel in briefing and arguing an appeal from a decision of the FCC before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

#### **Ramallah, West Bank (1996) Internet Reform & Broadcast Regulation**

Mr. Blakeley worked with the Palestinian Information Ministry and the Palestinian Broadcasting Association on issues concerning regulation of the Internet and over-the air broadcasting. His efforts included reviewing proposed laws dealing with these issues, providing proposed revisions to those draft laws, conducting public seminars, and making appropriate policy recommendations.

#### **United States (1995-1996) Telecommunications Reform**

Mr. Blakeley advised various companies on issues relating to the legislation that ultimately became the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Issues on which Mr. Blakeley worked included issues concerning broadcast multiple ownership, elimination of local telephone monopolies and the initiation of wireline competition.

#### **U.S., Ramallah, West Bank & Jerusalem, Israel (1994 -1995) Palestinian Broadcasting Company**

Beginning with a visit to the U.S. by a delegation from the West Bank in 1994, Mr. Blakeley worked on issues involving the Palestinian Broadcasting Company (PBC). In 1995, working with a team of three Palestinian lawyers in Ramallah, Mr. Blakeley assisted in drafting a legal charter for the PBC. Issues addressed by Mr. Blakeley and his team included the relationship between the Palestinian Authority and the PBC and regulation of content by the PBC, including political advertisements by candidates for election to the Palestinian Parliament. Mr. Blakeley and his team prepared proposed laws dealing with political broadcasting issues.

#### **United States (1994 – 1995) Long-Haul Optical Fiber Network**

Mr. Blakeley helped negotiate a series of agreements that established a local optical fiber network and that interconnected that network with a long-distance optical fiber network that transported telecommunications signals on the East Coast of the United States.

### **United States (1992 – 1995) Political Broadcasting Requirements**

Mr. Blakeley organized a coalition of broadcasters in response to an attempt by several political candidates to pursue claims in state court for alleged overcharges by broadcasting stations for political advertising time. Mr. Blakeley organized a successful lobbying effort before the FCC resulting in an order preempting state claims, and served as co-counsel in legal proceedings in Alabama and before the 11<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Circuits.

### **United States (1992) Foreign Ownership of Communications Entities**

Mr. Blakeley advised a large multinational corporation on U.S. restrictions concerning foreign ownership of U.S. telecommunications and broadcasting entities.

### **United States (1990 – present) Electronic Equipment**

Mr. Blakeley has advised an international manufacturer of consumer electronic equipment on various legal issues associated with the importation, manufacture and sale of its products in the U.S. These are primarily matters under the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission.

### **United States (1990 – 1991) Television Broadcasting**

Mr. Blakeley represented several major U.S. broadcasting companies, including the commercial television networks, in U.S. courts and before the Federal Communications Commission on matters concerning the sale of broadcast advertising time to federal, state, and local political candidates (including the candidates for U.S. President & the U.S. Congress).

### **United States & Korea (1988 - 1989) Computing Equipment**

Mr. Blakeley advised and represented a major Korean company on a variety of regulatory issues concerning the use and importation of its computer equipment into the U.S.

### **United States (1988) Appellate Litigation**

Mr. Blakeley served as lead counsel in briefing and arguing an appeal from a decision of the FCC before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

### **United States (1980 – 1998) Television & Radio Broadcasting**

Mr. Blakeley advised several large U.S. broadcasting companies on a broad range of FCC regulatory issues associated with the acquisition, sale, and operation of commercial television and radio broadcasting stations. These included licensing, political broadcasting, cable retransmission and must-carry issues, emergency operation, public inspection files, and technical compliance matters, among other things.

### **United States (1985 – 1987) Administrative Hearings**

Mr. Blakeley served as second chair in several comparative broadcast hearings for new television station licenses before administrative law judges at the FCC.

### **United States (1983 – 1987) Cellular Telephony**

Mr. Blakeley advised and represented various companies in applying for and obtaining initial U.S. licenses to provide cellular telephone service.

### **SELECTED PANELS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**2012 – 2014 Stakeholder Program on Proposed Revisions of Jordanian Telecommunications Law**  
(Amman, Jordan)

**2011 - 2012: Workshops for the Private Sector and Government on the Proposed 2012 Government Policy Statement on the ICT & Postal Sectors**  
(Amman, Jordan)

**2011: Intellectual Property Roundtables**  
(Ramallah, West Bank)

**2010: Stakeholder Program: E-Commerce, Cybercrime & E-Taxation Issues**  
(Baku, Azerbaijan)

**Stakeholder Program: E-commerce legal and policy issues**  
(Ganja & Yevlakh, Azerbaijan)

**2008: Cybercrime Law: The Convention on Cybercrime**  
(Qatar Information Security Forum; Doha, Qatar)

**Cybercrime Law: International Best Practices**  
(Doha Information Security Conference; Doha, Qatar)

**2006: Stakeholder's Workshop for Review of Recommendations for Revision of Jordan's ICT & Postal Policy**  
(Amman, Jordan)

In conjunction with Jordan's Ministry of Information and Communications Technology, Mr. Blakeley led a workshop for stakeholders where the draft recommendations of the consulting team he led with respect to proposed revisions of Jordan's ICT and Postal Policy were presented and discussed. This included recommendations for changes in telecommunications, Internet, e-commerce (including e-signature) and related laws and policies.

**The Importance of ICT Laws, Regulations and Policies in Attracting or Deterring Investment in the ICT Sector in Arab Countries**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Arab Telecom & Internet Conference**  
(Muscat, Oman)

**The Impact of Intellectual Property Rights, and Their Enforcement, Upon Technology Development in Lebanon**

**TechLeb06, Massachusetts Institute of Technology**  
(Boston, Massachusetts)

**The U.S. Approach to Cybercrime**  
**(Middle East Forum on Cybercrime)**  
(Beirut, Lebanon)

**2005: Intellectual Property Rights and Enforcement under the TRIPS Agreement**  
**Palestinian Ministry of National Economy**  
(Ramallah, West Bank)

**Technology Development & Associated Legal Reform in Lebanon**  
(Washington, D.C.; Interview on Alhurrah television)

**2004: The Importance of Intellectual Property Rights to Information and Communications Technologies (ICT)**  
**(American University for Science & Technology)**  
(Beirut, Lebanon)

**Intellectual Property Rights: Judicial Enforcement of Copyrights Under Lebanese & U.S. Law**  
**(Judicial Institute of Lebanon)**  
(Beirut, Lebanon)

**Combating CyberCrime: The Legal (And Practical) Challenges**  
**(Beirut Bar Association)**  
(Beirut, Lebanon)

**SPAM: The Law, The Risks, The Remedies**  
**NEXPO Conference (Newspaper Association of America)**  
(Washington, D.C.) **The Use of E-Government to Drive E-Commerce Development;**  
**International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies**  
(Damascus, Syria).

**2003: Proposed Licensing Scheme for Fixed Line Competitors in Jordan; Stakeholders Roundtable; Ministry of Information & Communications Technology**  
(Amman, Jordan)

As legal advisor to a USADA-funded consulting team, Mr. Blakeley presented to a stakeholders' roundtable the team's initial recommendations concerning revisions of Jordan's laws concerning telecommunications and related licensing issues.

**2002: The Impact & Enforcement of Lebanon's New Copyright Law**  
**Ministry of Economy & Trade**  
(Beirut, Lebanon)

## **E-Government Applications and their Benefits to Citizens**

(Beirut, Lebanon)

### **Telecom Reform in the Middle East**

#### **Meeting of the IT Committee on Telecom Issues in Developing Countries**

(Cairo, Egypt) Mr. Blakeley gave two presentations covering different aspects of this issue. While in Egypt, Mr. Blakeley also attended meetings concerning the organization

and function of the Nasr City Free Zone (near Cairo Airport) and its role in the economic development and growth of Egypt.

### **Ultra-Wideband Summit**

(Virginia's Center for Innovative Technology, Herndon, VA)

Organizer & Moderator

### **4<sup>th</sup> Arab Telecom & Internet Economy Conference**

(Beirut, Lebanon)

Regulatory Developments in Arab Telecom Markets

### **2001: E-Government in Action 2001** (Muscat, Oman)

Review of U.S. e-gov't. legal & regulatory structure.

Case studies of U.S. federal & state e-gov't. initiatives.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Arab International Telecom & IT Conference**

(Beirut, Lebanon)

The role of government in telecommunications.

### **Emerging Issues for the Legal Profession in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century** (Richmond, VA)

Use of new technologies in the legal profession & related ethical issues.

### **Hampton Roads Technology Council** (Hampton, Virginia) Legal

issues in doing business on the Internet.

### **2000: La Sagesse University** (Beirut, Lebanon)

Internet Law & related issues concerning e-commerce dispute resolution.

### **Termium Exposition** (Beirut, Lebanon)

Regulatory and policy issues concerning telecommunications & Internet infrastructure.

The role of telecommunications & the Internet in economic development.

### **E-Government Conference** (Beirut, Lebanon)

Regulatory & policy framework for e-gov't.

### **Palestinian Information Technology Association** (Ramallah, West Bank) The

importance of telecommunications and Internet reform and liberalization for economic development.

**Virginia Technology Expo** (Chantilly, VA)

The Global Digital Divide and some of the issues it poses.

**1999: Global IP Carriers Conference** (London, UK)

Regulatory issues involved in IP telephony.

**National Association of Broadcasters, Annual Convention** (Las Vegas, Nevada)

Spectrum issues concerning certain broadcast auxiliary services.

**1997: Asilah Forum Foundation Conference.** (Asilah, Morocco) Participated in conference concerning U.S. – Arab relations at invitation of then Moroccan Ambassador to U.S., Hon. Mohamed Benaissa.

**1996: Palestinian Ministry of Information & Broadcasting Association**

(Ramallah, West Bank)

Participated in public meeting concerning issues regarding Internet and broadcast regulation.

**1995: Jordanian Computer Society** (Amman, Jordan)

Policy and regulatory alternatives concerning the liability of Internet Service/Access Providers.

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Blakeley, C & Matsuura, J.

*Global Information Technology Law*

West Publishing; 2016 (6th edition). The book is updated annually.

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*Managing the “Bring Your Own IT Device” Workplace*

Corporate Counsel Connect (June 2013 edition)

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*Important Trends in Information Privacy*

Corporate Counsel Connect (October/November 2012)

Blakeley C & Matsuura, J.

*Managing Electronic Discovery in a Facebook World*

Corporate Counsel Connect (August/September 2012)

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*Electronic Banking: How E-Government Can Foster E-Commerce*  
Government Technology International (August, 2002)

Blakeley, C. & Matsuura, J.  
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(Congress on Innovations for an e-Society. Challenges for Technology Assessment,  
Berlin Germany, Oct. 2001)

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Reporter (May 6, 1997)

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(Practicing Law Institute, 1994)

Blakeley, C & Eisgrau, A. *Regulatory Redux: The FCC's Shifting Approach Towards  
Obscenity and Indecency*, 4 Communications Lawyer 6 (Fall, 1986).