

LEIBOWITZ & ASSOCIATES, P.A.

MATTHEW L. LEIBOWITZ
JOSEPH A. BELISLE
DANIEL MARGOLIS

SUITE 1450
SUNTRUST INTERNATIONAL CENTER
ONE SOUTHEAST THIRD AVENUE
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33131-1715

TELEPHONE (305) 530-1322
TELECOPIER (305) 530-9417
E-MAIL Firm@broadlaw.com

OF COUNSEL
ILA L. FELD

December 20, 2007

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Rm. TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors
CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Martin,

Enclosed please find two letters of nomination.

The primary nomination is from Rudolph Crew, Superintendent of Miami Dade County Public Schools for the representative of schools that are eligible to receive discounts. In the alternative, a nomination by Pat Roberts, President of the Florida Association of Broadcasters for the commercial radio services providers position.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Matthew L. Leibowitz

cc: Tecora Sollers

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF
BROADCASTERS INC.

201 South Monroe Street, Suite 201
Tallahassee, Florida 32301
(850) 681-6444 • 1-800-825-5322
Fax (850) 222-3957

Pat Roberts
President

December 19, 2007

Chairman Kevin J. Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: USAC Board of Directors Nominations

Dear Chairman Martin,

I am writing you this letter on behalf of the Florida Association of Broadcasters and myself, personally in support of Matthew Leibowitz's nomination to the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administration Company.

It is my understanding that the Miami-Dade Public Schools has nominated Matt as a representative for the Board seat held by a representative of schools that are eligible to receive discounts pursuant to Section 54.501 of the Commission's rules.

I know that Matt has represented the Miami-Dade County Public School Board for many years before the FCC with respect to its radio and TV station, as well as E-rate matters.

If the seat for the school representative is unavailable, I would nominate Matt for the representative for commercial radio service providers. He has served as the FAB General Counsel for almost thirty years. In addition, Matt represents individual radio and TV clients throughout the state of Florida.

Sincerely,



Pat Roberts
President
Florida Association of Broadcasters

LEIBOWITZ & ASSOCIATES, P.A.

JOSEPH A. BELISLE
ILA L. FELD
MATTHEW L. LEIBOWITZ
DANIEL J. MARGOLIS

SUITE 1450
SUNTRUST INTERNATIONAL CENTER
ONE SOUTHEAST THIRD AVENUE
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33131-1715

TELEPHONE (305) 530-1322
TELECOPIER (305) 530-9417
E-MAIL FIRM@BROADLAW.COM

Matthew L. Leibowitz, Esq.

Matthew L. Leibowitz is the founder and managing partner of Leibowitz & Associates, P.A., a Miami-based law firm dedicated exclusively to the practice of communications and telecommunications law.

Prior to founding the firm in 1979, he served as a staff attorney and trial attorney for the Federal Communications Commission from 1975 – 1979. While at the FCC, he represented the Broadcast Bureau in several complex comparative renewal and revocation cases. Mr. Leibowitz was the only attorney with an accounting background among the 22 litigation attorneys on the Broadcast Bureau, and thus was assigned to all major cases involving financial or economic issues, including but not limited to evaluating financial statements, banking relationships, station valuations and creditor rights.

Mr. Leibowitz has represented clients in radio, television, cable and wireless matters. He has represented broadcast clients in acquisitions worth over \$3 billion, including the first radio consolidator, Chancellor Broadcasting Corporation. Mr. Leibowitz has been involved with complex broadcast issues such as foreign ownership, network TV affiliations and consolidation issues. He represented the Florida Broadcasters in the contentious "radio war" with Cuba and subsequent international negotiations. Mr. Leibowitz has served as legal counsel to the Florida Association of Broadcasters for over twenty-five years and served as an associate member of the Board of Directors. In the wireless industry, Mr. Leibowitz represented the Washington Post Company in cellular radio. In cable television, he represented Time Warner and Rogers Cable Communications, Inc. in franchising and regulatory matters. In addition, Mr. Leibowitz served as counsel to Florida Governor Bob Graham's Task Force on Cable Television in the early 1980's. More recently, he has represented over seventy local franchise authorities in complex renewal and transfer cases, and telecommunications ordinances and wireless tower siting ordinances. Mr. Leibowitz has played a major role in protecting local government's interests in Tallahassee on communications issues.

Leibowitz & Associates has been the FCC legal counsel for Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Division of Media Programs (WLRN Public Radio and Television) since 2002. As such, they have represented the School Board on all matters pertaining to the regulation and operations of its radio, television and ITFS-EBS stations. In addition, Mr. Leibowitz successfully represented the School Board before the FCC in a major E-Rate proceeding which resulted in releasing applications seeking over \$100 million of E-Rate funds to Miami-Dade. Prior to representing the School Board, Leibowitz & Associates represented the Friends of WLRN.

Mr. Leibowitz has a unique combination of specialized legal expertise in telecommunications; a practical knowledge of engineering including reconciling theoretical engineering models with real world engineering; and practical business/accounting expertise.

Mr. Leibowitz has authored several books including *The Political Handbook*, *The Radio Acquisition Handbook* and *The 5-Minute License Protection Plan*, as well as articles on all facets of the communications industry. Mr. Leibowitz has been a featured speaker on broadcasting, wireless and cable matters, appearing before numerous state and national meetings and conventions.

He is a qualified arbitrator under the rules of the Supreme Court of Florida and has been trained as a

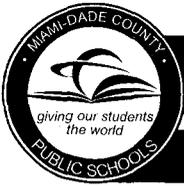
mediator.

Mr. Leibowitz received a Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude with Honors in Law and Public Policy from Syracuse University while majoring in Honors Accounting, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Miami.

Mr. Leibowitz is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia and Florida. He is admitted to practice before the following courts:

- The Supreme Court of the United State of America
- The District of Columbia Court of Appeals
- The United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
- The United States Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit
- The United States of America Southern District of Florida
- The Supreme Court of the State of Florida

Mr. Leibowitz recently founded and is President and Chief Executive Officer of Communications Dispute Resolutions, LLC, the first and only alternative dispute resolution group created and operated exclusively for the communications and telecommunications industry.



Miami-Dade County Public Schools

giving our students the world

Superintendent of Schools
Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D.

Miami-Dade County School Board

Agustin J. Barrera, Chair
Perla Tabares Hantman, Vice Chair
Renier Diaz de la Portilla
Evelyn Langlieb Greer
Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway
Dr. Martin Karp
Ana Rivas Logan
Dr. Marta Pérez
Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

December 14, 2007

Chairman Kevin J. Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Nomination of Board Member to the Universal Service Administration Company

Dear Chairman Martin:

It is my understanding that the Federal Communications Commission is seeking nominations to the Board of Directors to the Universal Service Administration Company (USAC), and in particular for one seat for a representative for schools that are eligible to receive discounts pursuant to section 54.501 of the Commission's rules.

On behalf of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), I would like to nominate Matthew Leibowitz. M-DCPS is eligible to receive said discounts and Mr. Leibowitz has been our representative on communications matters, including but not limited to USAC and said discounts, for five years.

I have personally worked with Mr. Leibowitz on communications matters facing M-DCPS and support his nomination.

Sincerely,

Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

L833

LEIBOWITZ & ASSOCIATES, P.A.

JOSEPH A. BELISLE
ILA L. FELD
MATTHEW L. LEIBOWITZ
DANIEL J. MARGOLIS

SUITE 1450
SUNTRUST INTERNATIONAL CENTER
ONE SOUTHEAST THIRD AVENUE
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33131-1715

TELEPHONE (305) 530-1322
TELECOPIER (305) 530-9417
E-MAIL FIRM@BROADLAW.COM

Matthew L. Leibowitz, Esq.

Matthew L. Leibowitz is the founder and managing partner of Leibowitz & Associates, P.A., a Miami-based law firm dedicated exclusively to the practice of communications and telecommunications law.

Prior to founding the firm in 1979, he served as a staff attorney and trial attorney for the Federal Communications Commission from 1975 – 1979. While at the FCC, he represented the Broadcast Bureau in several complex comparative renewal and revocation cases. Mr. Leibowitz was the only attorney with an accounting background among the 22 litigation attorneys on the Broadcast Bureau, and thus was assigned to all major cases involving financial or economic issues, including but not limited to evaluating financial statements, banking relationships, station valuations and creditor rights.

Mr. Leibowitz has represented clients in radio, television, cable and wireless matters. He has represented broadcast clients in acquisitions worth over \$3 billion, including the first radio consolidator, Chancellor Broadcasting Corporation. Mr. Leibowitz has been involved with complex broadcast issues such as foreign ownership, network TV affiliations and consolidation issues. He represented the Florida Broadcasters in the contentious "radio war" with Cuba and subsequent international negotiations. Mr. Leibowitz has served as legal counsel to the Florida Association of Broadcasters for over twenty-five years and served as an associate member of the Board of Directors. In the wireless industry, Mr. Leibowitz represented the Washington Post Company in cellular radio. In cable television, he represented Time Warner and Rogers Cable Communications, Inc. in franchising and regulatory matters. In addition, Mr. Leibowitz served as counsel to Florida Governor Bob Graham's Task Force on Cable Television in the early 1980's. More recently, he has represented over seventy local franchise authorities in complex renewal and transfer cases, and telecommunications ordinances and wireless tower siting ordinances. Mr. Leibowitz has played a major role in protecting local government's interests in Tallahassee on communications issues.

Leibowitz & Associates has been the FCC legal counsel for Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Division of Media Programs (WLRN Public Radio and Television) since 2002. As such, they have represented the School Board on all matters pertaining to the regulation and operations of its radio, television and TTFS-EBS stations. In addition, Mr. Leibowitz successfully represented the School Board before the FCC in a major E-Rate proceeding which resulted in releasing applications seeking over \$100 million of E-Rate funds to Miami-Dade. Prior to representing the School Board, Leibowitz & Associates represented the Friends of WLRN.

Mr. Leibowitz has a unique combination of specialized legal expertise in telecommunications; a practical knowledge of engineering including reconciling theoretical engineering models with real world engineering; and practical business/accounting expertise.

Mr. Leibowitz has authored several books including *The Political Handbook*, *The Radio Acquisition Handbook* and *The 5-Minute License Protection Plan*, as well as articles on all facets of the communications industry. Mr. Leibowitz has been a featured speaker on broadcasting, wireless and cable matters, appearing before numerous state and national meetings and conventions.

He is a qualified arbitrator under the rules of the Supreme Court of Florida and has been trained as a

mediator.

Mr. Leibowitz received a Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude with Honors in Law and Public Policy from Syracuse University while majoring in Honors Accounting, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Miami.

Mr. Leibowitz is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia and Florida. He is admitted to practice before the following courts:

- The Supreme Court of the United State of America
- The District of Columbia Court of Appeals
- The United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
- The United States Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit
- The United States of America Southern District of Florida
- The Supreme Court of the State of Florida

Mr. Leibowitz recently founded and is President and Chief Executive Officer of Communications Dispute Resolutions, LLC, the first and only alternative dispute resolution group created and operated exclusively for the communications and telecommunications industry.