



"We make a living by what we get,  
but we make a life by what we give."  
-Winston Churchill

August 21, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn  
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel  
Commissioner Ajit Pai  
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

*RE: MB Docket No. 14-57*

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

My family owns and operates Joe Hand Promotions in Pennsylvania. We are the exclusive commercial distributor for Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) pay-per view events which are viewed by those visiting commercial establishments like sports bars, restaurants, military bases, cruise ships and more. Since Comcast is a distributor of UFC events, I am very familiar with the company.

I also have a relationship with Comcast that developed through my involvement with The Miracle League of Northampton Township in Bucks County, where I am president. This partnership led to a project that has been so successful and touched so many lives, I want to share it with the Commission. This rewarding experience, among other positive things I know about Comcast, prompts me to request that the Commission approve the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction.

Miracle Leagues exist across the U.S., in Puerto Rico, Canada and Australia and serve more than 200,000 disabled children and young adults who want to play baseball. Our motto is "Every Child Deserves A Chance to Play Baseball." Well, Comcast clearly believes in this, too. It backed our effort to raise \$1 million to build a baseball diamond and a multipurpose field at Northampton Township Municipal Park with its "Stroll for a Miracle" event, among other efforts it made in helping these fields become a reality.

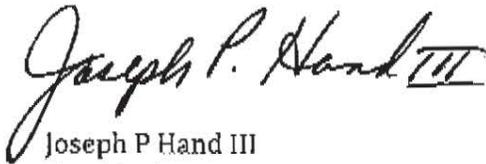
Before these fields were built, our region's disabled youth athletes had to wait until Sunday evenings for a spot on the area's only accessible sports field. Now, athletes from across Bucks County can play baseball, soccer, flag football and more every day of the week on the fields' special rubber surface that accommodates those using wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, leg braces and other assistive equipment. The greatest thing about the fields is their location next to township fields that have no special accommodations - this means that disabled athletes practice, compete and just hang out in the same setting as their non-disabled peers.

Comcast SportsNet Philadelphia produced a video about the Miracle League and the two new fields, interviewing disabled athletes and showing typical games. The film won a Mid-Atlantic Emmy that Comcast then donated to the League, and it drew countless new supporters to the effort. I also served as a subject in the Comcast Newsmakers series, exposing the Miracle League and its work to a much larger audience.

I've seen the philosophies of inclusion and accessibility embraced at Comcast. It has a team focused on product accessibility and, last year, unveiled the country's first talking cable TV interface at the National Cable Show. Further, Comcast partners with The ARC, Easter Seals, and many other local and national disability and inclusion agencies to expand opportunity. Its actions, and the programming it offers help to lift barriers in the community and within its own ranks. Last year, here in the Philadelphia area, I heard that Comcast donated \$25,000 to the Easter Seals program to provide assistive technologies to local schools and community centers.

This is the kind of broadband and video company Americans need to have as a partner, one with a community commitment that is just as strong as its business. I want to see more communities in the nation have the opportunities we have had to partner with Comcast. I hope the Commission will approve the transaction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph P. Hand III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent "J" and "H".

Joseph P Hand III  
President  
Miracle League of Northampton Township, Pa