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Mr. Tilles is Chairman of the Firm's Telecommunications Department and the Firm's Entertainment Practice Group. He is counsel to numerous entities in the private radio, internet and entertainment industries. His breadth of work includes representing PCIA, a major telecommunications trade association. On behalf of PCIA and other clients, Mr. Tilles has participated in every FCC proceeding involving the private land mobile radio industry since 1984. In addition, he represents hundreds of public safety agencies (States, Counties and Cities), transit systems, Specialized Mobile Radio (SMR) operators, private system users (including major airlines and utilities), tower owners and radio manufacturers.

Mr. Tilles has represented entities in regulatory proceedings, licensing, leasing and telephone interconnection disputes, as well as business transactions. In that capacity, Mr. Tilles has represented the seller in transactions with Nextel Communications valued at over \$500 million. Presently, Mr. Tilles is representing over 200 public safety licensees in the 800 MHz "rebanding" negotiations with Nextel, and he was part of the committee that drafted the so-called "Consensus Plan," the template for the FCC's decision in the matter. Mr. Tilles is actively involved in the FCC's "narrowbanding" rulemaking proceeding, having authored the concepts for a variety of narrowbanding rules and touring the country on behalf of the National Transit Institute to provide all day narrowbanding seminars.

### PRACTICE AREAS

Entertainment Law  
Telecommunications  
Tower Group

### EDUCATION

Catholic University of  
America, Columbus  
School of Law,  
Washington, District of  
Columbia, 1982, J.D.  
University of Maryland,  
1979, B.A., Major:  
Radio, Television & Film

### BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia  
Maryland

### HONORS & AWARDS

Presidential Award -  
APCO International,  
August 2004  
Corpus Juris Secundum  
Award for Significant  
Legal Scholarship -

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Mr. Tilles has been involved in the radio industry since the age of 16, and majored in Radio, Television & Film at the University of Maryland. After graduating from Catholic University's Columbus School of Law in 1982, Mr. Tilles began representing radio broadcasters with the Washington, D.C. law firm of Hayes & White. He joined Meyer, Faller, Weisman & Rosenberg, P.C. in 1984, and began utilizing his background in radio to help advance the interests of land mobile radio clients, internet service providers and technology companies by bringing technical understanding to legal issues. The Firm merged with Shulman Rogers in 1998.

Mr. Tilles is Chairman of the Narrowbanding and 800 MHz Rebanding Committees for the Joint Council on Transit Wireless. On behalf of the Joint Council and commuter railroads, Mr. Tilles is the leading advocate of efforts to allocate spectrum for commuter railroads to implement Positive Train Control ("PTC").

Mr. Tilles utilizes his background as a former musician in his representation of a variety of entertainers. In this capacity, Mr. Tilles has negotiated recording and representation agreements and consulted with clients on copyright and trademark issues. As a result, Mr. Tilles has received appreciative mentions in a number of albums by several musicians.

Mr. Tilles is a frequent speaker at trade shows for both the land mobile and internet industries, and has served as a column writer and regulatory consultant for a variety of trade publications, including *Urgent Magazine* (formerly *Mobile Radio Technology Magazine*). A former college adjunct professor, he is on the Board Of Trustees of Capitol College (an engineering college in Maryland), is co-counsel for the Radio Club of America, and serves on the APCO Spectrum Management Committee.

## NEWS

Shulman Rogers Telecom Partner Alan Tilles files DFW Airport plan to install 700 MHz Public-Safety Broadband Network

Columbus School of Law  
- 1982

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Alan Tilles, chair of the Telecommunications practice at Shulman Rogers, Gandal, Pordy & Ecker has been named co-counsel of the Radio Club of America.

Don't Believe Narrowbanding Delay Rumor

Selections from LTE Broadband Session

FCC BUREAU CHIEF: DON'T COUNT ON NARROWBANDING WAIVERS

FCC ADVOCATES NARROWBANDING COMPLIANCE

NPSTC SEEKS LMR EXCEPTION TO REVISED INTRINSICALLY SAFE STANDARD

Shulman Rogers Welcomes Two New Sponsors of Narrowbanding Informational Web Site for Police and Fire Agencies

Narrowband Mandate: A Coming Challenge

Shulman Rogers to Assist Passenger Railroads with Federal Technology Grant Applications

The Broadband Debate

Shulman Rogers to Assist Transition to New FCC Regulations

Alert! FCC Issues Advisory Regarding Customer Propriety Network Information (CPNI) Filings

FCC Issues Declaratory Ruling Establishing Timeframes For State & Localities To Process Wireless Tower Applications

Researchers Develop Paint That Blocks Radio Signals

Shulman Rogers Selected By Miami/Dade County, Florida For Telecommunications Assistance

A Nearly Impossible Job

Telecom tycoon has plans for wireless public safety start-up

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## EVENTS

Shared Solutions Seminar Part 90 VHF/UHF Narrowbanding  
February 9, 2012

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Public Safety Broadband Education

July 26, 2011

Narrowbanding Are You Prepared? Course Offering

December 6, 2010

Narrowbanding Are You Prepared? Webinar

November 14, 2010

FCC Narrowbanding: Are You Prepared?

November 8, 2010

Narrowbanding Are You Prepared? Course Offering

November 8, 2010

Michigan Chapter of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials, Inc.

October 28, 2010

Narrowbanding Are You Prepared? Webinar

October 19, 2010

Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials, Inc.

May 17, 2010

Eastern Region Meeting of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials, Inc.

April 25, 2010

New Jersey Chapter of the National Emergency Numbering Association

April 20, 2010

Alabama Chapter of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials, Inc.

March 28, 2010

Indiana Chapter of the National Emergency Numbering Association

March 22, 2010

Narrowbanding: Meet the Mythbusters

March 12, 2010

#### **SEMINARS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

Mr. Tilles has been a featured speaker for many years at the annual International Wireless Communications Expo.

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Mr. Tilles conceived and was the lead presenter for the Penton Media "800 MHz Rebanding Seminars", which took place across the country.

Mr. Tilles is a featured speaker at numerous APCO and other land mobile trade shows.

**PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS**

IWCE Advisory Committee, Member

Radio Club of America, Member

Federal Communications Bar Association, Member

Spectrum Committee - APCO International, Member

Entertainment and Sports Law Committee - Maryland Bar Association, Member