

Economic Analysis at the FCC

A Proposal

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Resources for the Future

*Can Greater Use of Economic
Analysis Improve Regulatory
Policies at Independent
Regulatory Agencies?*

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Not SMRT?

WIRELESS BUREAU RENAMES DIVISION

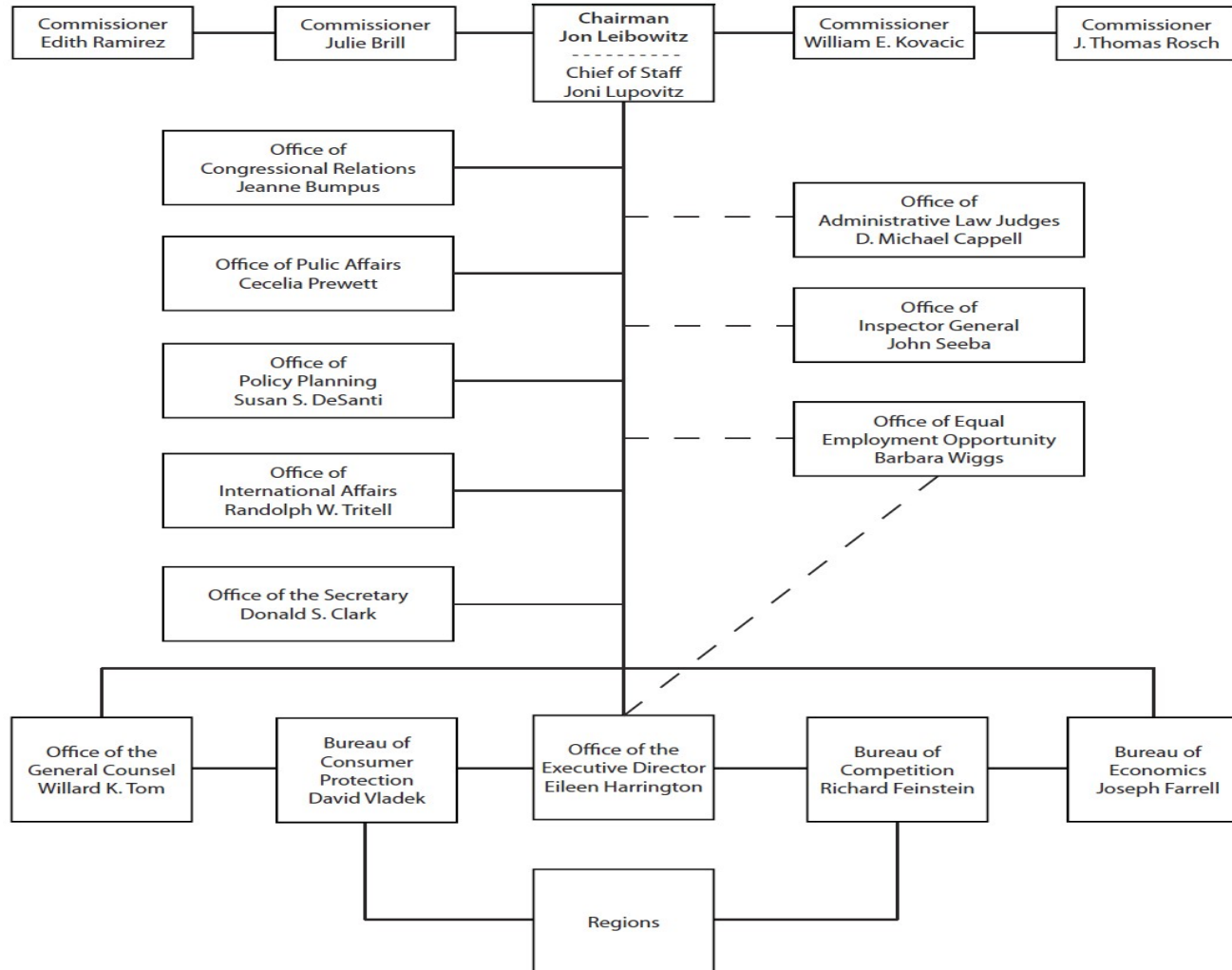
The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau announced today that its Spectrum Management, Resources and Technologies Division is changing its name to the Technologies, Systems and Innovation Division to better reflect its duties. "As part of its rebranding, the Division will place an even greater emphasis on increasing the transparency of Bureau processes and providing access to underlying data through the use of the latest web methodologies," the bureau said.

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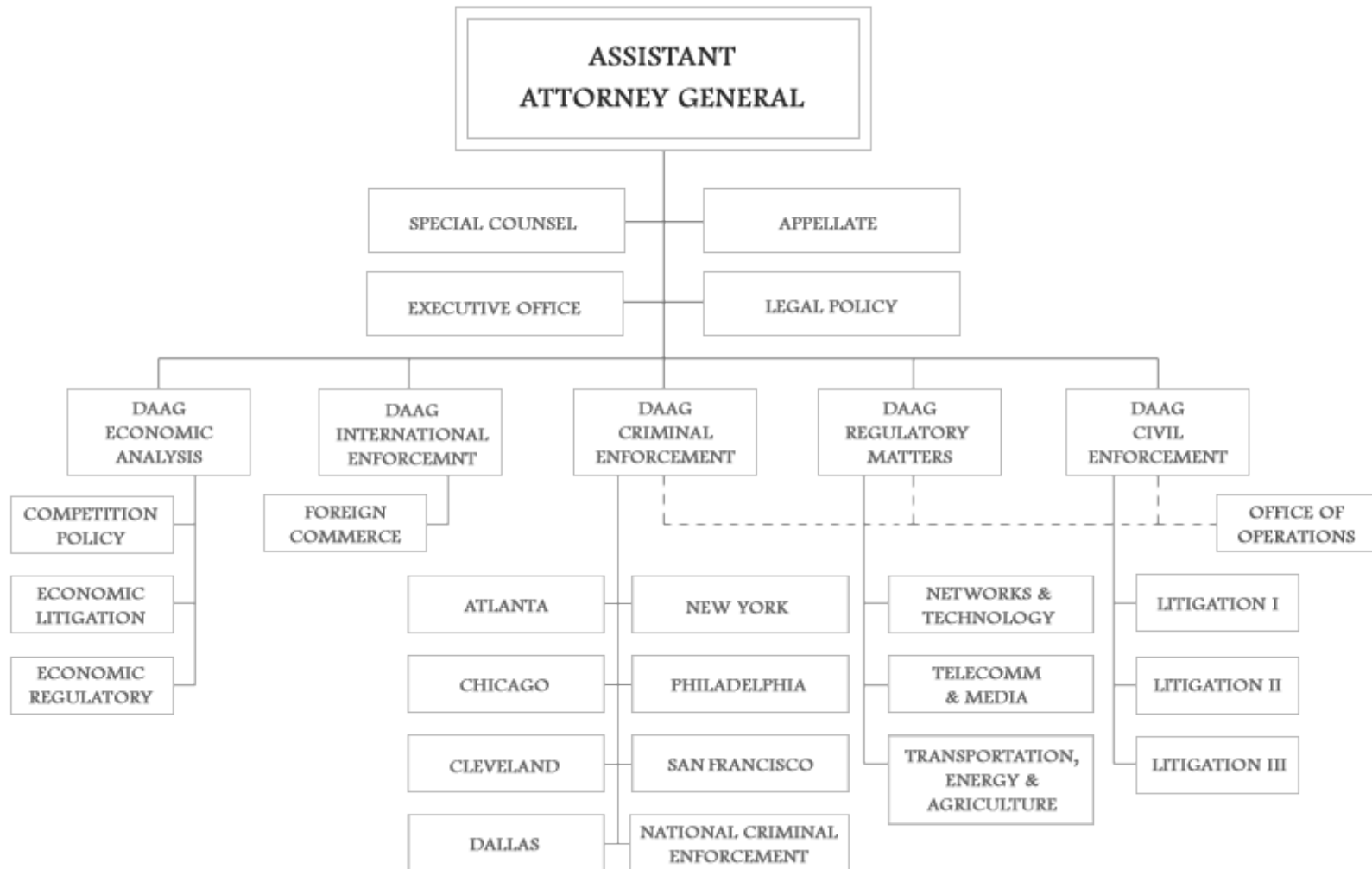
FTC

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

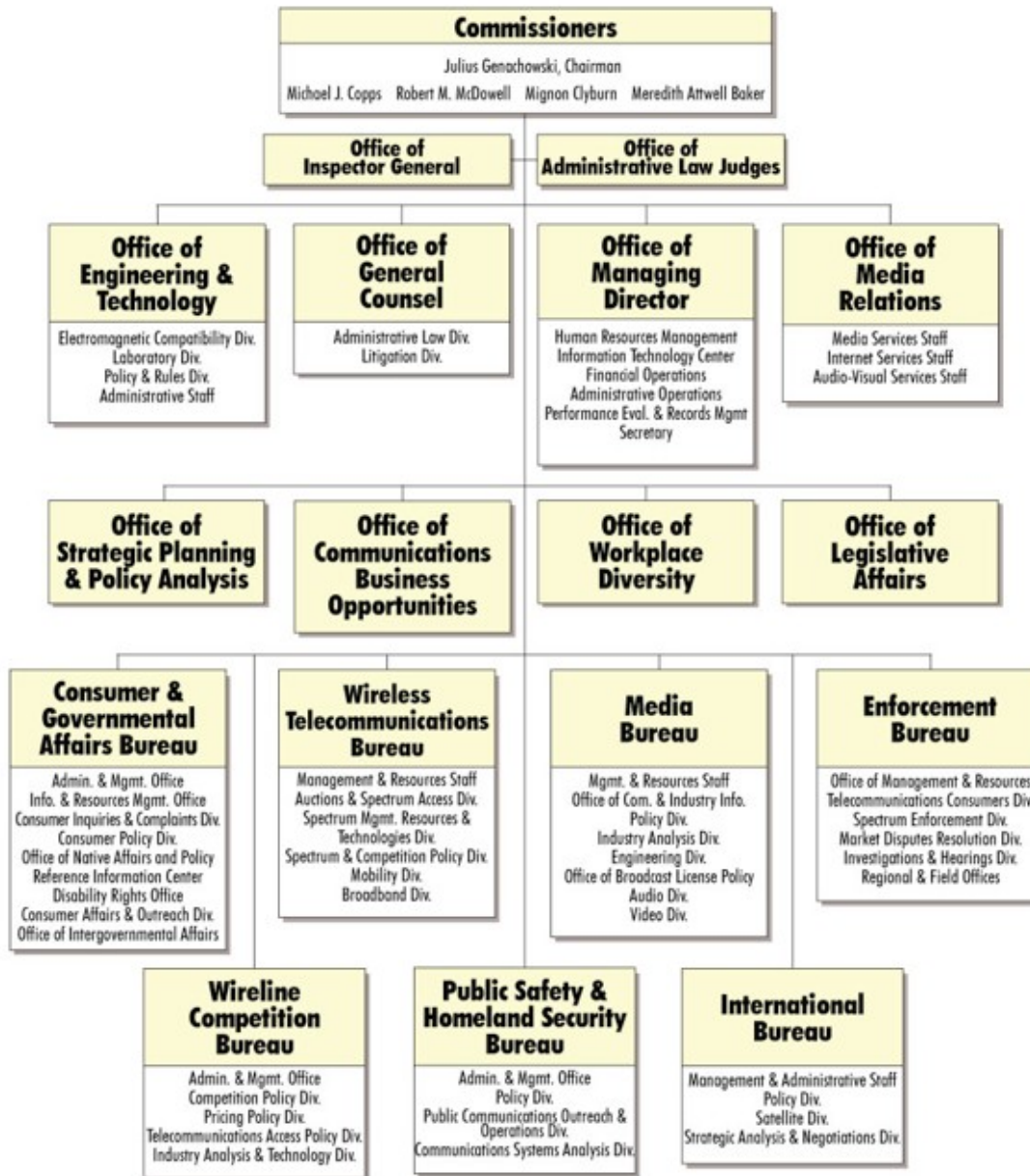
Organization Chart



DOJ Antitrust Division



FCC



Proposal

- Office of Economic Analysis @ FCC
- Directed by high-ranking FCC economist
- Staffed by Ph.D. economists
- Houses (visiting) Chief Economist
- Contributes EA to rule makings, reports
- Database management
- Professional incentives for PhD economists
- Role models at DOJ, FTC