

## May 8- Telecommunications

### Selling a City's Cell Tower Leases and Future Leasing Rights

#### **SPEAKERS:**

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John is a graduate of Harvard College, Yale Graduate School, and the University of Michigan Law School. Among his many qualifications, John held an FCC license to work on radio, TV and ship radar transmitters and was Chair of the Municipal Lawyers Section of the Michigan Bar. He has received the "Member of the Year" award from the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors, and a "Special Award of Merit" from the Michigan Municipal League for his work representing municipalities on cable and telecommunications matters. For the Varnum web page on cell towers go to [www.varnumlaw.com/celltower](http://www.varnumlaw.com/celltower) and for John's cell tower blog go to [www.varnumlaw.com/blogs/cell-phone-tower/](http://www.varnumlaw.com/blogs/cell-phone-tower/).

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The co-author and co-editor of the FCC's national guide to radio frequency transmission safety guide, Jonathan is an expert on RF emissions safety and related regulations, as well as telecom site design matters. He also has been a testifying witness or trial advisor in over 40 wired and wireless cases. Jonathan holds five FCC licenses and license endorsements, and also holds a communications contractor license in California.

In 2013, Jonathan was awarded a Masters of Law in Telecom Law degree from Strathclyde University in Glasgow, Scotland. Completing his academic education, he was hooded as a Doctor of Law and Policy at Northeastern University in 2016.