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In January 2014, FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler appointed Clete Johnson to the newly created position of Chief Counsel for Cybersecurity. Clete works with private sector and government stakeholders to increase the security, resiliency and integrity of commercial communications as these functions transition to Internet Protocol-based networks.

Before joining the FCC, Clete was the designated national security, cybersecurity and intelligence counsel for former Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman and Commerce Committee Chairman Senator John D. Rockefeller IV. Clete was the staff lead for Senator Rockefeller's cybersecurity legislation and related stakeholder outreach. Prior to coming to the Senate, Clete practiced law at Patton Boggs LLP in Washington and served as an Army officer in South Korea, Germany, Albania, Macedonia, and Kosovo.

Clete earned his J.D. from the University of Georgia School of Law, and an M.Sc. in International Relations from the London School of Economics. He undertook his undergraduate studies at Harvard.