

Anna M. Gomez was sworn in as Commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission in September 2023. She believes the FCC does best when its work honors the people it serves.

The Commissioner brings over 30 years of public and private sector experience in domestic and international communications law and policy to her position. In 2023, she led U.S. preparations for the International Telecommunication Union World Radiocommunication Conference 2023 (WRC-23) for the Department of State and from 2009 to 2013 she served as the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Deputy Administrator. While at NTIA she oversaw the successful transition to digital television, as well as efforts that resulted in the establishment of a broadband network for first responders.

Commissioner Gomez also served for 12 years in various positions at the FCC, including as Deputy Chief of the International Bureau and as Senior Legal Advisor to then-Chairman William E. Kennard. She also served as Counsel to the U.S. Senate Commerce Committee, and as Deputy Chief of Staff of the National Economic Council during the Clinton Administration. Prior to joining the State Department in 2023, Commissioner Gomez worked in private practice focusing on telecommunications law.

Born in Orlando, Florida, Commissioner Gomez spent her childhood in Bogota, Colombia before her family relocated to New Jersey. She now resides in Virginia. Commissioner Gomez earned her B.A. in Pre-Law from Pennsylvania State University and her J.D. from George Washington University Law School.

Commissioner Gomez is committed to a vibrant, strong, and competitive telecommunications and media marketplace that meets consumer needs and promotes U.S. economic prosperity and security.

She believes that it is critical to our continued success as a nation that everyone in rural, Tribal, suburban, and urban communities should be able to get and *stay* connected. She knows what it means to risk the loss of connection and believes that we need an affordability program like the Affordable Connectivity Program to promote economic prosperity and give people a fighting chance.

Commissioner Gomez believes we must continue to foster innovation in the tech and telecom sector by facilitating opportunities for new services, creative spectrum policies, and continued leadership on the space economy. This includes continued implementation of the National Spectrum Strategy and reinstatement of the FCC's auction authority.

She knows we must be vigilant about protecting consumers. From spam calls and texts to accessible emergency alerts, Commissioner Gomez believes consumers' interests must lead communications policymaking. That also means ensuring our first responders can communicate in times of crisis, and that our connections are secure and resilient. Additionally, as a Latina American, she brings her skills and perspective to the Commission on ways to reach all communities where they are, including the Latino community.

Commissioner Gomez firmly believes that the First Amendment is a pillar of American democracy and a free press is necessary for democracy to thrive. She believes that regardless of changes in the media ecosystem, the FCC should continue to uphold its longstanding media policy principles: diversity, localism, and competition.